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Victoria and Vicinity—Light to moderate southerly winds, continued fine; stationary or higher temperature.
Nanaimo and Vicinity—Light to moderate southerly winds, continued fine.

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Six Arrests Made In Connection With Nanaimo Robbery

Former Seattle Policemen and Four Other Americans Held in Sound City for Extradition on Charge of Looting Up-Island Branch of Royal Bank of Canada of \$40,000

SHERIFF AND WITNESSES LEAVING FOR SOUND CITY

NANAIMO, B. C., Dec. 22.—Chief of Police J. Shiras, of the city force, is leaving here tomorrow morning for Seattle with six witnesses of the holdup of the local branch of the Royal Bank of Canada, who will endeavor to identify the men now held in custody there on a charge of robbing the bank on December 12 of \$40,000.

SEATTLE, Dec. 22.—Ross C. Watson, former Seattle police detective, who was accused with participating in a \$22,000 department store robbery here last Summer; Clarence H. (Dick) Shively, former Seattle patrolman; and four other men were arrested today on Canadian extradition warrants as suspects in the \$40,000 robbery at Nanaimo.

Clarence H. (Dick) Shively, the former patrolman of this city, was arrested in Montesano, together with another of the alleged robbers whose name was not given, but who is said to be Shively's boatman in reputed liquor-running ventures.

The others, Wm. Bagley, alleged to be the leader of the bandits, and R. C. James, were apprehended in Tacoma. Three more of the supposed desperado band, whose names are withheld, were being sought tonight.

The arrests are the result of the work, day and night from the time of the robbery, of Inspector Forbes Cruikshank, of the British Columbia Provincial police, and Deputy Prosecutors Bert C. Ross and T. R. Patterson, of this city, acting as special prosecutors for the Province, assisted by Captain of Detectives Richardson, Tacoma, and Captain of Detectives Charles Tennant and Sheriff Starwick, Seattle.

According to the officers, the alleged bandits have been traced to and from the bank, and all of their movements carefully checked for some time as well before as after the robbery.

The robbers escaped in an automobile rented in Victoria, and which the officers are now holding. It was found abandoned on the beach at Point Harbor, 15 miles south of Nanaimo.

Two Boats Used

One of two boats were used, it is said, after the men left the car. One of these, according to the officers, is Shively's new 80-h.p. 50-foot speedster El Toro, in which the bandits are reported to have fled to a point near Wildcat Cove, near the mouth of the Strait of Juan de Fuca.

From that point, it is said, they used a light Ford truck and heavy touring car to transport themselves and their loot, en route to the coast, south through Skagit and Snohomish counties, through Seattle and Tacoma.

Bagley, the officers say, has been involved in other bank robberies, and is accredited with being one of the directors in the Nanaimo hold-up. He is declared to be the robber described by locals, employed in the 100-foot tall, weighing 300 pounds, of sandy complexion, known as a rum-runner, and who was so cool and polite during the robbery as to excite the admiration of all his victims.

He is said to have directed the other robbers.

DECLARES COMPANY MUST PAY SPECIALS

COLLIERIES LIABLE FOR COST OF STRIKE PROTECTION

Important Judgment Handed Down by Law Lords in Connection With Welsh Labor Troubles

LONDON, Dec. 22.—An important judgment concerning the payment for services rendered by the police during an industrial dispute has been handed down by the House of Lords. The County Council of Glamorgan had sought to recover £2,500 for police protection for the collieries during the Swansea, Wales, in the coal strike of 1921. The colliery company, however, asserted that the police who attended in special boats at the request of the colliery company were merely carrying out legal duties and obligations. The late Justice Bailhache ruled that the colliery company was liable for the amount claimed.

In their judgment the House of Lords supported the judgment of Mr. Justice Bailhache and ruled that the colliery company was liable to pay the amount claimed. Of the five Lords of Appeal who heard the case, three favored the decision of the lower court and two were for its rejection.

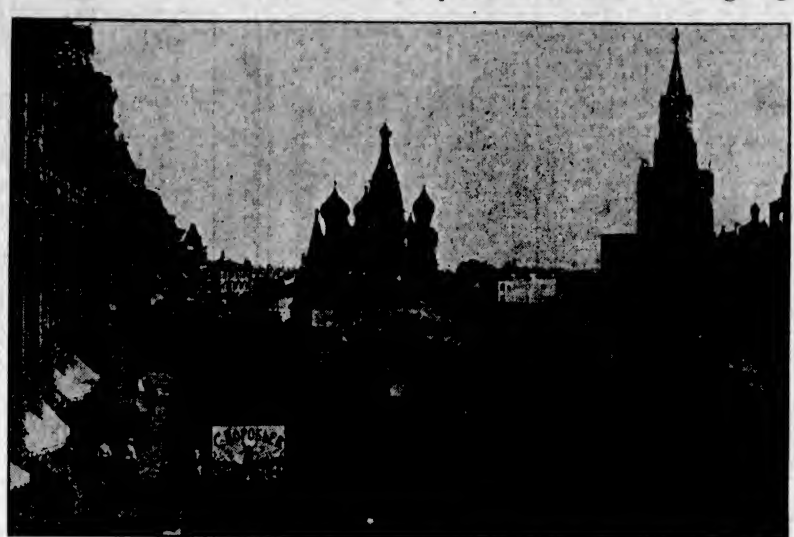
More Elasticity Is Likely in Dealing With Immigrants

OTTAWA, Dec. 22.—That more elasticity in the present immigration restrictions regarding refugee immigrants from northern Europe will shortly be in effect, as part of the Government's vigorous program for 1925, was the statement made today by the Department of Immigration and Colonization. A new official policy having special reference to existing passport and family unit regulations will be adopted in cases of farmers and farm laborers whose entry into Canada is believed to be in the interests of land development in the Western provinces.

Pope Suffering From Light Form Of Influenza

LONDON, Dec. 22.—Pope Pius is suffering from a light form of influenza, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Rome.

Where Civil War Is Reported Now Raging



MOSCOW, SHOWING THE RED SQUARE. Meagre reports from the Soviet capital indicate that strife bordering on civil war exists in Moscow today as a result of a controversy between Leon Trotsky, deposed commissar for war, and other members of the Russian administration. Alleged revolts in the Red army are said to have brought conditions in Russia to a more serious crisis than ever before in the turbulent life of Bolshevism.

ACTORS IN PERIL AS LAUNCH SINKS

Gunhild Strikes Seymour Narrows Rock in Hundred-Mile Gale and Theatrical Troupe Suffers Hardships

COATED IN ICE SUCCEED IN LANDING ON ISLAND

Aided by Indians of Church House, the Passengers Are Finally Brought to Vancouver by Steamer

VANCOUVER, Dec. 22.—On a rock close to "Hole in the Wall," near Seymour Narrows, on the coast of British Columbia, the steam launch Gunhild is resting in about ten feet of water and the members of the Pat Players, who had the ship chartered and were giving performances at the various coast settlements, arrived in port Sunday after nearly losing their lives in the wreck.

The three Henderson sisters and Nan Walker, the young women in the party, while Art Roberts, the comedian, Pat McCallum, manager, and George Iredau were all members of the troupe that suffered a ten-hour battle for life with the gale blowing 100 miles and ice caked an inch thick all over their clothes.

Sailed October 1

The Gunhild left Vancouver with the party on October 1 and met bad weather while sailing at different points for entertainments as far north as Ocean Falls.

Coming back on December 15 they ran into a gale and the Gunhild was sidetracked into a cove for safety. Here, however, she struck a rock and commenced to take water. Supplies, including blankets, were got ashore, and the party had to keep warm as best they could until the Victoria tug Chetah, which they were aided by the Indian residents. From this point they caught the steamer Camouan into Vancouver.

Father Christmas Might Like to Know About This

Secretaries of Veterans' Organizations Can Tell Some Rather Grim Stories of Homes Where Thursday Will Bring No Comfort Unless Deputies of Santa Claus Inform Him of the Facts—The Cases of Privates R—and Y—and X—and Some Others

OLD Father Christmas—he of the white beard and the red coat, and the aerial sleigh that aerial reindeer pull across the houses, where children wait, counting the hours till Thursday morning—is coming to Victoria on his rounds. It is hoped that he has been duly notified of all the places here where he should call; but in case he needs a reminder there are private citizens and public organizations in this city who are ready to pass on certain information to all about it may concern, including old Santa Claus himself, and some of his warm-hearted deputies.

There are the secretaries of the returned soldier organizations of Victoria, for example. They have some stories to tell these days that should interest old Father Christmas and his deputies. They are rather grim stories some of them; and they suggest that unless these stories reach the ears of interested persons, there may be little of Christmas cheer in some Victoria families, and that Santa Claus himself may inadvertently fly across the tops of some humble roofs without stopping.

The Unexpected Cases

All the veterans' organizations are giving Christmas entertainments of

GERMANY OPENS ARMS PROBLEM

Note to League Raises Whole Question of Armaments, as Well as Teutons Becoming Members

MARSHAL FOCH ATTENDS ALLIED MILITARY PARLEY

War Committee Receives Report as to Alleged Illegal Arming, But No Statement Is Issued

GENEVA, Dec. 22.—Opening up the whole problem of German armaments, Germany has sent a note to the League of Nations touching the question of Germany's joining the League. In the note the Berlin Government declares its view that if international conflicts arise, Germany should remain absolutely free under the League covenant to determine how far she would take an active part in such conflicts.

The text of the note, which is published by the League secretariat tonight, shows that Germany desires an exceptional position as a member of the League because of her lack of armed strength, though she denies any intention of asking for special privileges. Germany maintains that if she should be obliged to participate in all of the large military sanctions she "would be compelled to waive her right to neutrality—the last defence of disarmed people."

League's Reaction

The reaction in League circles to the German note, which the League government also transmitted to all the governments represented in the council is that it will be certain to include lengthy negotiations with the powers and presumably delay the date when Germany will formally apply for admission to the League. If ever it has carried links the League question with the general problem of international control and future investigations of German armaments, which may be carried on by the League, the nature of which the council was endeavoring to define.

Stresemann's Note

Dr. Gustav Stresemann, the Foreign Minister, himself penned the note given out tonight which forms the second chapter of the negotiations.

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Suicide at Vancouver Had Two Different Birth Certificates, Say Police

VANCOUVER, Dec. 22.—Police are confronted with a mystery in the matter of the identity of a man whose dead body was found in a room on Richards Street today with the end of a gas pipe in his mouth. The proprietors of the rooming-house are at a loss to know how he got into the room. His papers contained two birth certificates. One was issued with the name of Jack Powell, born at Hailam, England, in 1902. The other was issued for Jack Taylor, born at the same place in 1904. Among the letters was one showing that Jack Powell had been employed by the Western Commercial Company in Wayne, Sask. On another paper showed that Jack Taylor had been authorized to make collections for the Homeless Mothers' Society of England. Other papers give the two names, but no explanation can be found. He was apparently between twenty-two and thirty.

Smuggled Aliens Caught

RUFFALO, Dec. 22.—Alleged to have smuggled aliens into the United States from Canada for the rate of \$50 a head, Douglas Finlayson, of Port Erie, a brakeman employed by the Michigan Central Railway, is under arrest here. The aliens were brought in via the "freight car" route.

Two Hundred Dead And Wounded in Battle in Albania

Anti-Government Forces Suffer Severely in Sunday Engagement on Mati Front, Say Advises Received in New York—Scutari Remains Quiet and in Hands of Regular Army

APPEAL FOR MOBILIZATION MEETS WITH ENTHUSIASM

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Anti-government forces in Albania lost two hundred wounded and dead in engagements yesterday on the Mati front, said a cablegram from the Albanian government received at the consulate here today.

"The Scutari front is tranquil with Scutari in our hands," said the message. "In Kosovo prefecture our counter-offensive continues with great success. The invading bands have occupied only a small portion of the Luma district."

"On the Mati front violent combats took place yesterday, and the invaders lost two hundred wounded and dead.

"Concentrations of Albanian troops on the Mati front are continuing. The appeal of the Government for a general mobilization is being met with great enthusiasm."

PARIS, Dec. 22.—The Jugo-Slav legation in Paris, on behalf of its government, has issued a categorical denial of charges brought against it in connection with the disorders in Albania. The note issued by the legation says that Jugo-Slavia has distinctly observed the principle of non-intervention in the internal affairs of Albania, the independence of which country Jugo-Slavia always has considered one of the essential guarantees for peace in the Balkans.

Leaving for Europe



THE HON. W. C. NICHOL

Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, who is leaving Victoria shortly for another short holiday trip in Europe. Accompanied only by his son, Mr. Jack Nichol, His Honor will start for the East about the middle of January, rescheduling having already been made on the 8th. Majestic for the sailing on January 21. They will proceed direct to the Mediterranean, and will visit different points in Italy and France, spending most of the time in the Riviera, Cannes, etc. They intend returning to Victoria about the end of March. During His Honor's absence Chief Justice Macdonald will act as Administrator for the Province.

EXPLOSION OF OIL RESULTS IN DEATH

MR. A. CRUMP DIES IN HOSPITAL EARLY LAST NIGHT

Was Thawing Out Frozen Water Pipes—Flames Smothered With Sacks, But Too Late

Mr. Abel Crump, 411 View Street, a brother of Mr. G. B. Crump, of the Weller Auto Supply Company, died about 10 o'clock last night from burns he received at noon yesterday when a quantity of oil which he was using as fuel to thaw out a frozen water pipe on Hillside Avenue exploded. An inquest will be held on Wednesday morning.

Just how the accident occurred is not known. Deceased was engaged in thawing out pipes at 1370 Hillside Avenue when in some inexplicable manner the oil he was using became ignited and the explosion occurred. The flaming fluid was thrown over the unfortunate man's clothing and he was enveloped in a sheet of flame. Evidently he became panic-stricken and crazed with the pain, for he left the scene of the explosion and ran nearly fifty yards to a clump of bushes.

Two brothers, Messrs. C. T. and P. D. Alexander, driving a coal wagon, saw him fall. They left their team and succeeded in smothering the flames with coal sacks, but not before terrible burns had been inflicted. The man's clothes were nearly burned off entirely, and in many places the fire had eaten through to the flesh.

The late Mr. Crump was rushed to the Royal Jubilee Hospital, where he was attended by Dr. Walter Bapty. Deceased was unmarried. He had spent a considerable number of years in Victoria, and at the time of the accident was employed by Mr. Charles Ballam, proprietor of the Reliable Plumbing Co. He was formerly proprietor of a bicycle store on Yates Street, but he sold his business to Mr. Thos. Lumsden about five years ago. He was a native of England, about 43 years of age, and widely travelled. He was a member of the Masonic Order. The body is at the R. C. Funeral Parlor.

Beer Legislation Said to Have Attracted Interest To Hotels in Vancouver

VANCOUVER, Dec. 22.—Options for the purchase of several hotels in the city have been taken out, according to information received by Mayor Owens. "The boom has set in since the decision of the Provincial Legislature to sell beer by the glass was arrived at," the mayor stated. "I understand there are several deals pending and much activity in realty circles, especially in connection with hotels where there is a likelihood of beer being sold. Talk of raising rents of hotels all over the city is rife," Mayor Owens asserted.

Indian Gets Four Years For Robbery and Six Months for Escaping

NEW WESTMINSTER, Dec. 22.—Four years in the penitentiary on each of the seven charges of breaking and entering stores at Fort Langley and Whonnock, was the sentence imposed by Judge Howay this morning on Dominie Gabriel, a McMillan Island Indian. The sentences are to run concurrently. An additional six months was imposed on the charge of escaping from custody. James Fedell, accomplice of Dominie in three of the burglaries, was given two years in each, the sentence to run concurrently also.

Labor Candidate Wins In Dundee By-Election

DUNDEE, Scotland, Dec. 22.—T. Johnson, Laborite, today was elected to Parliament over the Liberal candidate, E. D. Almona. Johnson received 23,973 votes and Almona 19,234. The by-election was rendered necessary by the recent death of Edmund Morel, the Labor member.

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MINISTER OBJECTS TO CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Cynical Pastor Says Juvenile Mentality Features Average Intelligence of Country

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 22.—The working of crossword puzzles "is the mark of a childish mentality," Dr. D. L. Marsh, pastor of the Smithfield Street Methodist Episcopal Church, declared Sunday night in an address to his congregation on crossword puzzles.

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BLAMES PRESIDENT FOR HIDING FACTS

HOME BANK DIRECTOR SAYS BOARD KEPT IN IGNORANCE

News of Insolvency Came With Crash and Head Confessed to Keeping Information From Officials

TORONTO, Dec. 22.—Cross-examined by D. L. McCarthy, K.C., special Crown prosecutor, R. P. Gough, director of the Home Bank of Canada, who is on trial before senior County Judge Coatesworth, charged with making and concealing in false statements of the bank's affairs, testified this morning that the true condition of the institution's finances were not known to the bank directors before August 7, 1923, shortly before the suspension of the bank was announced.

Directors Shocked
 During the course of the cross-examination much of the inside history of the bank was disclosed by Mr. Gough. He stated that at the meeting of the board in August, 1923, A. E. Calvert, at that time acting general manager, made a statement at the time declaring that the bank was hopelessly insolvent. The disclosure came as a shock to the directors, declared Mr. Gough. Witness testified that the late H. J. Daly, president of the bank, had tried to prevent Calvert from making the statement, but it was insisted upon.

Afterwards Mr. Daly stated that he had known the true condition of the bank for a year and a half and had kept it from the directors. Mr. Daly said at the meeting that he accepted full responsibility. Mr. Gough insisted under cross-examination that the accounts of the bank had been concealed from him. He did not think it his duty as a director to go through the branch reports and others. He had never seen a report from the Toronto branch and did not know that conditions were bad there. "I believed entirely on the information presented," said Mr. Gough.

TENANT SECURED FOR HOTEL SCRIBE

C.N.R. LEASES PARIS PROPERTY FOR LONG TERM

Contract is for Forty-Five Years, and Railroad Has Offices Free of Charge

MONTREAL, Dec. 22.—It is stated in an official announcement made from the headquarters of the Canadian National Railways here that the property purchased by the system last year at the corner of the Rue Scribe and Boulevard de Capucines, in Paris, has been leased to a well-known hotel company, of which the manager is M. Ruhl, of Paris.

The lease is for forty-five years on the cost of the property, the hotel company paying all taxes on the property and also insurance. In addition to this the lease grants the Canadian National Railways free quarters for office purposes on the street floor.

Rental Value \$600,000
 This arrangement is to continue during the life of the lease. The space to be occupied by the C. N. R. is estimated to have a rental value of \$600,000 for the period of the



THE NEW SHOW
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 —London Opinion.

lease, at the expiration of which the property and all improvements revert to the Canadian National. OTTAWA, Dec. 22.—The Hotel Scribe was purchased in 1923 by the Canadian National Railways for the purpose of expanding the continental business of the company. The total cost was \$2,733,693, including cost of property, taxes, imports and removal of tenants, according to questions answered in the House of Commons last session by Hon. G. P. Graham, Minister of Railways. In 1923 the taxes on the property were \$10,939.

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Oddities in the News

Her Hair Worth \$20,000—To Discourage Childless Marriages—Nose Dive Cures Deafness—Easy Marks Blamed for Crime

NEW YORK.—Loss of hair prompted Miss Martha Blatny, owner of a modiste shop in Yonkers, to sue a local pharmacist recently for \$20,000. In her complaint she asserts that she had a cold in December, 1920, and received two prescriptions from her physician. She claims that the clerk in the drug store accidentally "mixed the labels" when filling these prescriptions, so that for a week she drank three teaspoonfuls of mustard liniment daily and rubbed the glycerine on her chest. Her physician declared that the loss of her hair was due to the internal use of the liniment. A jury declared in her favor, but only awarded her \$2,000 damages.

OMAHA, Neb.—Retraction of all marriage licences issued in Nebraska in cases where no children are born within two years, making exceptions for physical disabilities when properly certified by a physician, was proposed here today by City Health Commissioner A. S. Pinto. Dr. Pinto announced that he would support such a bill before the coming session of the Nebraska Legislature.

CHICAGO.—A sudden 1,500-foot nose dive in an airplane apparently has restored the sense of hearing to a girl who had been deaf since she was three years old.

Pilot Burt B. Burley took the girl, Gwendolyn Caswell, up in the air about two miles. After a long drop he noticed that the girl's facial expression had changed. Coming to the ground, she explained, as best she could, that she had heard the motor and that its noise bothered her. Miss Caswell was born in England 22 years ago and came here in 1919. English physicians advised the treatment she was given yesterday.

OAKLAND.—Crime is made easy by the excessive number of dupes in the country, according to George C. Henderson, an authority on criminology. "It is the victim," he explained, "the sap, dupe, gull and easy mark, whatever you want to call him, who supports the thousands of crooks in America and gives the country credit for a two billion-dollar loss by crime."

"They leave their automobiles unprotected for thieves to steal. They carry large sums for pickpockets to get. They are weak when they cash cheques for strangers. They purchase real estate without looking up the title, invest in schemes without squinting their bankers, pay mediums to talk to the dead, play cards with sharks and bet on prearranged events."

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Plain White Handkerchiefs, 15¢ to \$1.00	Initial Handkerchiefs, 25¢ to \$1.00	Silk Socks \$1.25 to \$4.00
Cut Silk Ties, \$1.00 to \$5.00	Fibre Silk Knitted Ties, \$1.00 to \$3.00	Fancy Cashmere Socks \$1.25 to \$3.00
Pure Silk Knitted Ties, \$2.00 to \$3.00	Jaeger Wool Slippers, \$3.00 and \$5.25	Muffs \$2.00 to \$12.00
Suspenders, 75¢ to \$3.50	Suspender Sets, \$1.50 to \$2.50	Imported Motor Rugs \$10.00 to \$30.00
Wool Gloves, \$2.00 to \$13.50	Motor Gauntlets, \$3.75 to \$5.00	Leather Belts, 75¢ to \$2.50
English Broadcloth Shirts, \$3.75 to \$5.00	Other Fine Shirts, \$2.25 to \$10.50	Fancy Wool Waistcoats, \$5.00 to \$10.00
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the arbitration committee of the Geneva assembly that the matter was raised by the question of whether if Canada, for instance, refused to sell her nickel to other powers the latter would be entitled to demand arbitration by or on behalf of the League. Several members of the committee supported that standpoint.

The correspondent adds that the incident affords an index to the ceaseless quarrels and troubles in which the British Empire would become involved if these portions of the protocol were allowed to stand.

CANADA'S NICKEL SUGGESTS PROBLEM

PROTOCOL CHANGE HAS FAR-REACHING EFFECT

Japan's Amendment Raised Question of Possible Monopoly in National Production

LONDON, Dec. 22.—In connection with the reported imminent issue of invitations to the British Dominions to send representatives to London for a conference on the Geneva protocol, The Daily Telegraph's diplomatic correspondent, throws an interesting light on the origin of the Japanese amendment whereby intervention by the League of Nations in international disputes arising from domestic legislation would be permissible. The correspondent says that the idea of such intervention was first conceived in the demand for the pooling of natural resources by these countries possessing them for the benefit of others less favored, which would mean that certain countries would have to sell a portion of their production to certain others.

It was during the proceedings of

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Mr. Frederick Toimile Is Considered Head of Civil Servants in British Columbia

Announcement was made at the Parliament Building yesterday of the retirement shortly of two long-service civil servants who have been engaged in Government work during many administrations. Mr. Frederick Toimile, Deputy Minister of Mines, and Col. W. Fleet Robertson, Provincial Mineralogist. Both officials will hold office for two or three months. It is said, and then accept superannuation. In the ordinary course of events their retirement would have taken place some time ago, but the Government felt that their knowledge of mining conditions in British Columbia was such that they could be dispensed with until capable successors could be trained.

Mr. Rod Toimile, as he is best known, is the dean of civil servants in British Columbia, having first entered the service thirty-eight years ago when, in 1877, he accepted a post in the Land Registry office at \$40 a week. He has been Deputy Minister of Mines for the past twenty-two years, having been appointed to that office by the late Col. E. G. Prior when he was Minister of Mines. Mr. Toimile has seen the rise and fall of sixteen prime ministers of the Province.

At Barkerville
 Before entering the civil service, Mr. Toimile was employed in the bank of British Columbia at Barkerville. He was also for a time secretary and organizer of the Mine Owners' Association. He was born at Fort Nequally of the Hudson's Bay Co. In what is now the State of Washington, sixty-six years ago. His father was medical officer of the company at the post. The retiring deputy's brother is Hon. S. F. Toimile, M.P. for Victoria.

"Rod" Toimile has thousands of friends all over the country. His personality and administrative capacity have gained him popularity with all and with governments of varying shades of politics.

Mr. Robertson has held his office for twenty-six years. He was born in Montreal in 1859 and was graduated from McGill University. He was assistant to the construction engineer during the erection of the Oxford Copper Company's smelter in Quebec, and superintendent of his company for years afterwards. He was also employed by a number of American smelting companies, and was in charge of a great smelter in Spain.

In Northwest Revolt

During the Northwest Rebellion he returned to Canada as a lieutenant in the Canadian militia. Then after several years as a consulting engineer and mineralogist in New York City, he entered the service of the British Columbia government in 1898. His advice in mining matters has been much sought, as he is regarded as one of the leading mineralogists of the continent. One of his ambitions has been to see the establishment of a smelter on the Coast of British Columbia.

DIVORCE SELDOM ENDS LOVE, JURIST CLAIMS

Expresses Pity for Wife Who Waits for Husband to Arrive Late for Dinner

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—Divorce does not necessarily mean that husband and wife have ceased to love each other; in fact the contrary often is true, in the opinion of Judge Thomas F. Graham, known locally as the great reconciler. Judge Graham has been hearing divorce cases for 24 years. "It has been my experience," he said recently, "that love is not always dead when a woman sues for divorce. I believe that 99 per cent of the women who get divorces leave the courtroom with heavy hearts. They love the men they have just divorced. I believe that when a woman once loves a man, she never ceases to love, even though she may testify most bitterly against her husband."

"A man does not have the power of expression of love that a woman has. Yet that love is there and it endures. When a father deserts his children, he is arrested. Almost as many mothers desert their children, yet we seldom hear of them deserting for abandonment. They should be."

Gambling in itself is not cause for divorce, Judge Graham holds. "There are few homes indeed," he pointed out, "where husband or wife doesn't play poker, mah jong, bridge or some other game of cards for money or prizes. But when the wife squanders her husband's income on bridge or mah jong, or the husband spends all his time and money at the gaming table and stays out all night hours of the night, gambling becomes ground for divorce in this state on the charge of cruelty."

The judge expressed pity for the wife "who stays at home night waiting for her husband to come home for dinner and he does not come until the dinner is cold; spoiled, in the opinion of the wife. And there never was a wife who did not take pride in the dinner she prepared for her husband. The tardy husband inflicts a form of cruelty on his wife that causes her more suffering than the lash of a whip. She has a good ground for divorce."

"So has the wife whose mental suffering is caused by the man's staying out until the early morning hours. Every day we read in the newspapers of men who are killed and robbed, sometimes killed, while returning home at night. Imagine the state of mind of the wife who waits hour after hour for her husband to come home and he does not appear. Night after night many a wife endures that sort of thing. Finally she comes into the divorce court and get freedom from the man she really loves better than any one in the world."

QUEEN MOTHER IS STILL ACTIVE

RETAINS KEEN INTEREST IN LONDON'S ACTIVITIES

Although Eighty Years Old, She Continues to Entertain Guests at Sandringham

LONDON, Dec. 22.—Even at her country home in Yorkshire, to which she retired a year ago, Queen Alexandra has not lost her touch with the affairs of London with which she has been associated for more than half a century. The hundreds of hostesses who entertain during the season, like the royal family, always remember the Queen Mother and she receives invitations to all affairs just as she did when she lived at Marlborough House, across the park from her son's home.

Whenever a dinner or party is given by anyone whose position allows, an invitation is sent to the Queen Mother, and this is usually expressed with a little account of the affair, with the names of the guests, the dresses and other details be sent to her. When the Queen first retired to Sandringham most of her friends made regular trips to visit her, but during the last few months her physician has demanded that she give up the fatigue of those visits and it is now only through the post that she can hear of the neighborhood gossip.

When Queen Alexandra moved into Marlborough House she continued to keep open house for the many members of the royal family who enjoyed the right of entry to the palace, the genial Edward. The custom is still continued at Sandringham and there is hardly a day when some member of the family is not the guest of the Queen Mother.

The King and Queen have spent several weeks with her at Sandringham this year, and each of the princes has paid a visit to his grandmother. Recently before the two sons of Princess Mary came to London they were taken to see their great-grandmother, and at the same time were officially introduced to their great-grandmother, the Dowager Empress of Russia, the Dowager Queen Olga of Greece, and their aunt, Princess Victoria, who is her mother's constant companion.

Daily Walk

Queen Alexandra, who is eighty years old, still takes a daily walk to take an interest in the weather, for she is an ardent lover of dogs and has no less than fifteen pets. Reading the newspapers is another daily habit of the aged Queen and she usually supplements it by writing a few letters, generally on public matters, for she has never lost touch with the world. She is the patroness of the hospitals and children's homes, which she has fostered since she came to England 61 years ago.

ACQUITS SEA COOK ON PERJURY CHARGE

Frederick A. McDonald, After Exclaiming Career in Courts, Is Freed of Most Serious Offence

Frederick A. McDonald, charged with perjury in the County Court, was acquitted by Judge Lampan yesterday. The trial was one that attracted a good deal of attention from the fact that it had its foundation in charges laid last May against three young men living near the Gorge. The accusations were that these men had attacked McDonald, employed at the time as a cook in the Royal Canadian Cavalry.

The preliminary hearing against the young men in the Saanich police court was a long-drawn-out proceeding in view of the fact that McDonald could not appear in court for some time. When he did take the stand, fresh from the hospital, he collapsed while giving evidence. This necessitated another long delay. Finally the young men were acquitted with no evidence given against them.

The perjury proceedings followed the acquittal. It being alleged that when McDonald at the preliminary hearing testified that these three men attacked him, he knew he was swearing to a falsehood.

The young men, James R. Fielding, Thomas Hallam and Clarence Thompson, gave evidence at the trial yesterday recalling their movements on the night in question and testifying that they had not seen the accused nor had they had any part in the assault alleged.

Evidence was given that McDonald, at Royal Oak, in the presence of Saanich police, had identified the three as his assailants on the night in question. He has since, in police court, also identified them and swore they were the men. To Clarence Thompson the accused had said before the trial that he need not worry that he had not identified him, and that he was sick at the time he testified and did not know very well what he was doing.

Paymaster Cosette, R.C.N., testified that McDonald had sent for him, and in the course of his talk had told him that he was not quite sure of the boys. When he saw them with the Saanich police he thought they were the men. McDonald had said also that when he identified them he was a sick man and did not know whether he was on his head or his feet.

Mrs. Hallam, mother of one of the boys, had been seen by McDonald, who told her not to worry. He said the boys were worrying his sleep. He did not know the lady and had never seen the mother. He had given her a letter from Mrs. Wormleighton, a neighbor, in which the latter had warned the accused not to be misled by the appearance of the boys as they might be wearing different colored clothes at the trial.

No Case Made Out
 In the cross examination, Mr. G. H. Sedger, for the defence, questioned the witness about animosities in the neighborhood over the milk question. She did not know of any particular hate being manifested among the people of the district.

Mr. J. P. Waite had been told by McDonald while the latter was in the city jail that he was sorry for having charged the boys with assault. He said that he was going to clear them. He added that he had been practically forced to do what he did.

Mr. Sedger raised some preliminary objections, one of which was that the information upon which the original proceedings against the

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young men been taken, was not produced.

His Honor, however, felt that technical points need not be raised, as no case had been made out against the accused. In order to establish perjury it would have to be proved that he accused knew that he was telling what was untrue when he swore to the statements complained of. This had not been done. McDonald had said to clear the three young men he had found nowhere in the evidence but he acknowledged that he knew he was giving false testimony. He therefore acquitted the accused.

Letters to the Editor

A letter to the editor will be inserted except for the prohibition to keep it, and the writer. This rule admits of no exceptions.

"Mr. Uphill's Library"

Sir,—Since you consider Mr. Uphill's remarks worthy of a leader in your columns, I trust you will forgive me if I try to add a thought on the subject. Mr. Uphill's statement ended with the assertion that the unemployment problem was the result of a system which encourages production for profit.

To the "labor" man this is no idle phrase, nor is there any theory about it. It has almost ceased to be matter for debate. It is the basic upon which the "labor" man has built his theories by which he hopes to get rid of this problem of unemployment.

The Labor Party in Britain believe they know the remedy for unemployment, but there was nothing strange

about the fact that they were unable to put it into effect. Any Labor man could tell you why. But what the Labor Party in Britain did do, was to convert an additional million voters to a faith in that basic idea of theirs, which, I think you will admit, was no mean advance towards enabling them to put their proposed remedies to the trial of a test.

Now, sir, I suggest that this accumulated wisdom of the centuries, even with the help of a Divine example to back it up, and the natural inclination of the human to be kind and generous, to help stiffen it, has not exceeded the limits of its capacities. The position at present is not desirable. In one sense we are all caddies; always and forever caddies, caddies, caddies, caddies, whether for a job or permission to keep it, and the human has a natural, deeper-seated objection to be forced to become a caddie in any shape or form. And the wisdom, the example and the generosity utterly fail when dealing with the situation through the channels of charity. In the nature of things the caddie can have little sympathy with the unsuccessful caddie.

It is the duty of the legislature to take the problem in hand, and if they cannot solve it, give some sort of reason for it. Is it the "limitations of the individual mentality" (you do turn pretty phrases, sir, that is the construction, or is it that the limitations of the old party doctrine, has been reached?

I'm sorry I cannot help you to demolish Mr. Uphill's library. I don't see that much good would result if we

succeeded. As for his "egotism," I think we'd better put it down to that "not homines quot sententia," and let it go at that. What I am interested in is the problem of how to make a satisfactory connection with the food, clothing and shelter provided by Mother Earth, which I understand is "The Lord's," together with the fulness thereof, while there is no denying that I am one of His people.

I think you will agree that each man's needs and capacities are no very similar to those of his brother, that one day the problem will be solved, and justifies those who would go ahead.

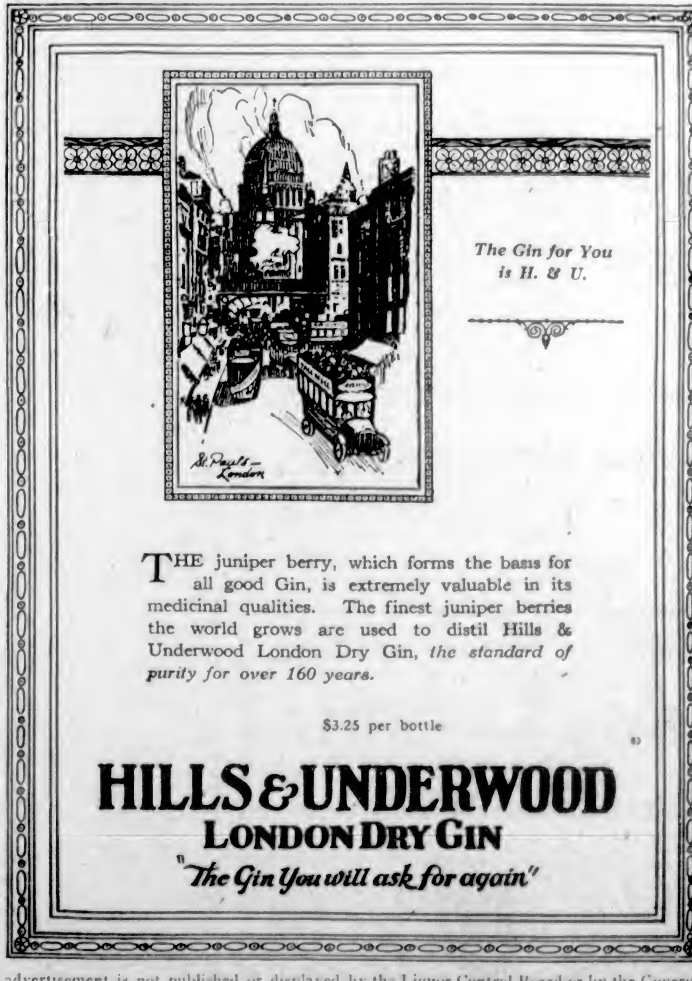
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High-Handed Action of Com-
mittee of House Resulted in
Withdrawal of Legislation
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CHARGES that members of the Private Bills Committee of the House seemed to be prejudiced against Victoria, and that the city's legal counsel had not been given a fair hearing, were contained in Mayor Hayward's report to the City Council on the Victoria City Private Bill, which "died on the order paper at the last session of the House."

Alluding to the committee's high-handed action in inserting an unwarranted clause to compel the city to proceed with a valuation by an independent engineer of certain works connected with the Sooke Lake water system, Ald. Todd said:

"Out of thirteen members of the committee only seven were present. Yet those seven took it upon themselves to place their judgment superior to that of the City Council, ignoring our expressed wish that we did not want that particular clause in the city's private bill."

"We had no idea, not even a suspicion, that the matter was coming up for consideration. And yet these seven men from distant parts of the Province took it upon themselves to set aside the wishes of the eleven accredited representatives of the citizens of Victoria."

Ald. Todd deplored the opposition to the city's cause on the part of certain people with regard to the Sooke Lake clause. The same persons, he declared, had been most active about seven years ago in plunging the city into an extravagance which was costing the people \$500 a year, every day of the year. He said that the city should remember their own responsibility. He was glad that Ald. Marchant had referred to him as the chief supporter of the private bill. It was too bad that the council had not been unanimous in advocating the measure. But it seemed to be characteristic of the city that it could never be unanimous on any single question.

Ald. Harvey thought that a vote of thanks should be tendered Mayor Hayward for his report on the bill, and in opposition to the Sooke Lake clause.

Would Flatter Them
He could not regard Victorians' inability to be unanimous as deplorable, Ald. Marchant said. To accuse the citizens of such a thing was to flatter them. He hoped the time would never come when the people could only be one side of a question. That bill had been loaded with matters so obvious as to make opposition inevitable. It had not been right, for example, to try to deprive the firemen of one day off in seven. He himself had voluntarily gone over to the Parliament Buildings to oppose the bill.

"The celebrated gentleman referred to by Ald. Todd, Mr. John Dean, I think, opposed both the repeal and enactment of it," Ald. Marchant declared amid laughter. "He didn't know where he was."

The following is the Mayor's report on the private bill, copies of which were ordered sent to the Chamber of Commerce and the Victoria Real Estate Board:

Ottawa Scene of Costly Fire



\$100,000 FIRE IN OTTAWA
Accompanied by sub-zero weather, a fire gutted the Cecil Hotel in Ottawa on Monday morning. A number of guests were overcome and had to be carried out by firemen in their night attire. An overheated chimney is thought to have been the cause of this disastrous fire.

clap Act was opened, I was able to get two amendments to it, from material taken from our Private Bill, the clauses relative to the Sale by auction and 'The fixed rate of taxation of land and improvements.'

"I regret the failure of the bill, and from my experience this session, am of the opinion that whenever possible—if amending legislation is required—it should be sought through the Municipal Council rather than the Private Bill, as Victoria Private Bills appear none too popular with certain members of the Legislature."

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OBITUARIES

MENZIES—There passed away on Monday morning, after a lingering illness at the family residence, Abbie Jane Menzies, beloved wife of Rev. Thomas Menzies, of 902 Monterey Avenue, Oak Bay. Mrs. Menzies was a native of Quebec, but had resided in British Columbia for the past twenty-six years, and is mourned by Mr. Menzies, and two sons, Thomas A., of Abbotsford, B.C., and Wilson McCull, of Vancouver, and a daughter, Carol, at home; also two sisters, Mrs. Robert Wilson, of Toronto, and Mrs. Albert Martin, of Buffalo, N.Y. A sister, Mrs. Harry Lillie, passed away on Saturday at her home in Toronto. The funeral will take place on Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock from McCull House, Pandora Street, corner of Johnson and Vancouver Streets. Rev. W. G. Wilson, D.D., will conduct the service, after which the remains will be laid to rest at Royal Oak Burial Park.

TURNBULL—There passed away on Monday at the Royal Jubilee Hospital, Victoria, after a long illness, fifty-eight years, of Edmonton, Alberta. The late Mr. Turnbull was an old-time resident of Alberta, where he was engaged in mission work in Northern Alberta for a number of years. The remains are resting at McCull House, Funeral Home. Announcement of funeral will be made later.

WARD—Services for the late Mrs. Elizabeth Ward were held yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the chapel of the B.C. Funeral Co. by the Rev. F. A. P. Chadwick. There was a large attendance of friends and musical tributes. The floral designs covered the casket and hearse. The hymns sung were "Rock of Ages" and "Jesus, Lover of My Soul." The following acted as pallbearers: Messrs. H. Hargreaves, G. R. Harris, Wm. Champion, W. W. Nall, N. Hirst and W. H. Hughes. The remains were laid to rest in the family plot at Ross Bay Cemetery.

CRAWFORD—Funeral service for the late Mr. Alexander McElride Crawford was conducted yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at his home by the Rev. Dr. W. G. Wilson. Many friends attended and the casket and hearse were covered with beautiful floral offerings. The following acted as pallbearers: Messrs. J. Hamilton, R. Semple, S. Morrison, A. Brown, J. Kirk and J. G. Howden. The remains were laid to rest at Ross Bay Cemetery.

CHONG—The death occurred last Saturday at the Royal Jubilee Hospital, after a lingering illness, of Chong, aged 40 years, a native of Canton, China, and a resident of this city for the past thirteen years. The

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About 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon Mr. G. P. W. Jennings, 444 Transit Road, was driving with his wife and young child and a nurse. When he was passing the South Park School on Douglas Street a man on the sidewalk sent a rock sailing towards his car and smashed one of the wings of the glass windshield. Mr. Jennings jammed on the brakes, stopped the car, jumped out, and sprang with such good effect after the culprit that he captured him within two hundred yards.

The police station was communicated with and the modern David (minus the sling and with many apologies) was brought in by Constable George Varney.

He admitted throwing stones through two windows in the Belmont Block, another through a big window of the Hudson's Bay Company store, one through a window of the Wilson Brothers' establishment, Herald Street, a fourth through the window of the Huffer Machine Shop, Store Street, and a fifth through one of the windows of the Bank of Commerce, corner Bay and Douglas Streets. All the windows were broken between 9 o'clock Saturday night and 2 o'clock Sunday morning.

"I don't know why I did it," Taddie said when questioned by the police. "I didn't have any particular reason. I was not drunk. I just felt as though it was all right for me to break the windows."

Dr. A. G. Price, city medical officer, was called, and in spite of the man's strange attitude, pronounced him after an examination sane. Taddie will appear in court this morning under a charge of committing malicious damage to property. The glass broken represented an expenditure of approximately \$500, it is said.

CLOVERDALE SCHOOL
The second annual concert of the Cloverdale School took place on Wednesday and Thursday evenings in the community hall, Lake Hill. Despite climatic conditions, large and appreciative audiences filled the hall on both evenings, and pupils and teachers were highly commended on the success of their endeavours. Mr. W. P. Jeune, president of the Parent-Teachers' Association, presided on the opening night.

During the intermission on Thursday evening, the chairman, Mr. J. M. Nesbitt, on behalf of the pupils of Division I, made a presentation to Principal J. N. O'Neill, conveying the season's greetings. Mr. O'Neill thanked the pupils for their kindness and good wishes, and took occasion to thank, on behalf of the staff, all who in any way assisted in making the entertainment such a decided success.



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Smart, dressy party slippers, in patent leather; selection of ankle strap or instep strap styles. All sizes. Price, per pair, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00 and \$3.50.

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Dainty Patent Leather Instep Strap Slippers, turn soles and low heels; plain, narrow strap and wide cut-out strap effects to choose from. All sizes. Price, per pair, \$1.50 and \$2.50.

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Dainty and distinct styles in imported Felt Slippers; shown in delicate popular shades, ribbon trimmed and two-tone turnover cuff styles, turn leather soles, smart shapes. All sizes. Price, per pair, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00 and \$2.50.

Dainty Boudoir Slippers for Women

In silver brocade cloth, white fur trimmed, with light, flexible leather soles. All sizes. Price, per pair, \$2.50.

Women's Evening Slippers

Beautiful Evening Shoes, shown in distinct styles of silver brocade, black and silver brocade, novelty brocade and plain silver; latest designs and newest strap effects. All sizes. Price, per pair, \$12.00 to \$14.75.

Boys' Gift Slippers

Leather Slippers, in black and brown kid uppers, with leather soles, Everett style with full round toe shapes. All sizes. Price, per pair, \$2.50.

Dress Shoes for Boys

Black and Brown Calf Dress Oxfords, light, close-fitting welted soles; smart but roomy shape lasts. All sizes. Price, per pair, \$4.75.

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Comfy and serviceable Felt Slippers in plaids and plain patterns, also Art Velvet style; all with leather soles. All sizes. Price, per pair, \$2.75, \$3.50 and \$5.75.

Men's Leather Slippers

A large range of black and brown Kid Slippers for men; shown in Everett and Pullman styles, flexible leather soles and comfy roomy shapes. All sizes. Price, per pair, \$2.75, \$3.50 and \$3.75.

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Imported English-made Dress Patent Leather Pumps; smart style shoe for all dress occasions. All sizes. Price, per pair, \$6.50.



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Heavy weight Pure Linen Handkerchiefs in neat one-quarter inch hemstitched borders, snowy white bleached and a handkerchief that will give long wear; enclosed in handy gift folders and make ideal gifts for any man. Price, per set, 3 for \$1.00.

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Heavy weight Pure Silk Pongee; with smart faint colored stripe in corner; the season's favorite style handkerchiefs, in gift folders. Price, each, 50c.

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Hosts of smart designs in all shades for the late Christmas shoppers. Many ties in this range formerly priced at \$1.50 and now clearing at this reduced price. Each, \$1.00.

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Infants' Shoes, \$1.25

In black patent leather, with three straps. Price, per pair, \$1.25.

Children's Dresses, \$1.00

In fine white lawn, neatly embroidered; neck, sleeves and skirt finished with neat buttonhole edge. Sizes 1 and 2 years. Price, each, \$1.00.

Children's Dresses, \$1.49

In pretty shades of sky, peach, green and pink, daintily embroidered in attractive colors. These come in sheerest quality lawn, in sizes 2 to 4 years. Each, \$1.49.

Tuesday Morning Special, 9 to 11:30

25 Infants' Kimonos

Cosy little garments in beaon cloth, with round collar and long sleeves. In shades of grey, brown and rose. Sizes 6 months to 1 year. Values to \$1.75. Morning special, 98c.

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Belgian Underwear

A Pleasing Gift for Intimate Friends

Voile Step-Inns, \$2.50

Prettily trimmed in hemstitching; in shades of flesh, peach, sage and Nile green. Price, each, \$2.50.

Step-Inns, \$3.50

Prettily embroidered and bound in contrasting color; in shades of flesh, mauve, rose and canary. Price, each, \$3.50.

Chemises to Match, \$2.50

Opera top, front embroidered and hemstitched; to match the above step-ins. Price, each, \$2.50 and \$3.50.

Voile Nightgowns, \$3.95

Square neck, wide tucked shoulder, large arm holes; finished with bow of ribbon. In shades of mauve, flesh, Nile green and peach. Price, each, \$3.95.

Voile Nightgowns, \$4.95

Sleeveless, shoulders strapped in narrow contrasting bands, front embroidered in contrasting color. In shades of mauve, Nile, mauve and flesh. Each, \$4.95.

Voile Nightgowns, \$5.95

Front tucked embroidered, square and V neck, tucked shoulder, large arm holes and neck, bound in contrasting color. In shades of sage, flesh, mauve, maize and green. Price each, \$5.95.

Shetland Wool Kimonos and Dressing Jackets

Shetland Wool Kimonos

In lovely soft quality wool, with large wing sleeves. Dainty border in novelty weave. Come in shades of flesh and orchid, also white. Price, each, \$15.00.

Shetland Wool Dressing Jackets

In lovely soft quality wool, in white and flesh only. Price, each, \$20.00.



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In many new designs and all neatly packed in holly boxes. Price, each, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.50.

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Set of 1 Towel and 2 Face Cloths. Price, per set, \$1.95.

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Set of 1 Bath Towel, 1 Hand Towel and 2 Face Cloths. Price, per set, \$6.95.

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Pure Linen Hemstitched Pillow Cases

Size 44 by 36. Price, per pair, \$3.75.

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Size 12 by 12. Price, per dozen, \$3.95.

Fancy Linens

Large showing of Fancy Linens, in Madeira, Cluny and Venetian handwork. Dobbies, centres, traycloths, scarfs, lunch cloths, napkins, etc., moderately priced.

Tuesday Morning Special, 9 to 11:30

Mahogany Candlesticks

Just about twenty-five pairs, so shop early. They stand six inches high, are neatly turned and finished with brass. Morning Special, 75c.

No Phone Order, Please.

Gift Umbrellas

Children's Umbrellas

Good quality cotton cover, strong English frame, with ring handle and also with novelty animal heads. Price, each, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75.

Women's Umbrellas

With Gloria cover, strong frames, strap and cord handles. Price, each, \$3.75 and \$5.00.

Women's Silk Umbrellas

In latest styles, strong frames, with novelty handle; in brown, navy and purple. Price, each, \$6.95.

Women's Umbrellas

In "Chubby" style, heavy silk covers, with amber tips and novelty handles; in colors of navy and purple, also black. Price, each, \$8.50 and \$11.00.

Gift Suggestions at the Notion Department

Fancy Garter Elastic

In rainbow shades, suitable for garters, armbands, etc. Price, per yard, 88c and \$1.50.

Traveling Sets

Made up of one pair shoe trees and two coat hangers, in dainty holly box. Price, per set, \$1.50.

Needle Cases

Containing an assortment of kirby, beads, gold-eyed, sharps, betweens, straws and darners. Price, per set, 25c, 35c, 50c, 75c and \$1.50.

Japanese Baskets

Suitable for work baskets, lined inside with silk. Price, each, \$1.25, \$1.75 and \$2.50.

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36-Inch Beacon Robings

For bathrobes, dressing gowns, etc. Thick soft fleecy fabric in light, medium and dark colorings. Designs for men's, women's and children's wear. Price, per yard, \$1.25.

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Complete with girde, neck cord and frogs. Price, each, \$7.50.



Put Handkerchiefs on the Christmas Tree

Everybody appreciates a gift of Handkerchiefs. In dainty Christmas wrappings they are ideal for the Christmas tree. Choose them from our immense assortments.

Children's Picture Handkerchiefs

In colored lawn, with printed figure in each corner. Price, 2 for 15c.

Children's Colored Lawn Handkerchiefs

With worked figure in corner. Priced at 3 for 25c.

Women's Colored Lawn Handkerchiefs

Plain, printed or embroidered. Price, each, 10c, 15c, 20c, 25c and 35c.

Or 3 for 25c.

Women's Linen Handkerchiefs

Hand-embroidered, in white or colored. Price, each, 35c and 50c.

Women's Colored Lawn Handkerchiefs

With pretty cut-work designs in corner; 3 in a box. Price, per box of 3, 45c, 50c and 55c.

Women's White Lawn Handkerchiefs

With embroidered designs in corner; 3 in a box. Price, per box of 3, 50c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.25.

Women's Colored Lawn Handkerchiefs

Plain and embroidered; 3 in a box. Price, per box of 3, 35c, 50c, 65c, 75c and \$1.00.

Women's Fine White Lawn Handkerchiefs

Embroidered or plain, trimmed with guipure lace. Price, per box of 3, \$1.25 and \$2.00.

Women's White Lawn Handkerchiefs

Embroidered in colors. Price, per box of 3, 50c and \$1.00.

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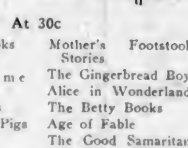
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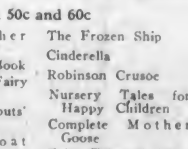
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Girls' Warm Dressing Gowns

In good quality beaon cloth, neat roll or square collars, long sleeves and two patch pockets. Trimmed with bands of satin, or two-tone cord. Come in shades of sage, rose, sky and grey, with neat conventional design in contrasting colors. Sizes 2 to 16 years. Values to \$6.95. Morning Special, each, \$3.98.



Gifts for Smokers

Briar Pipes, 75c value for 93c.

Special Quality Cased Pipes at \$3.50.

Cigarette Holders, long varieties, 50c.

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Wallet Style Leather Pouches, \$1.00.

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Adventurers of England Cigars, box of 25 for \$1.75.

Leather Pipe Cases, 75c.

Strollers Cigarettes, tins of 50 for 70c.

A box of 10 or 25 cigars in a special Christmas wrapping. All fresh stock. Priced at 50c, 70c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.75, \$2.50, \$3.50.

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Solid Fumed Oak Smokers

With turned standard and base, equipped with heavy glass ash trays. Regular \$5.50. Morning Special, \$2.95.

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Today's Gift Offerings in Furniture Department

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Oval shape, mahogany finish, with brass handles and glass tops. Regular \$3.50. Price, each, \$2.50.

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Social Events

Dance Hosts

Last evening the Victoria Club was the scene of a delightful dance given by Mr. and Mrs. John Wood for the pleasure of their daughter, Miss Gwendolyn Wood. The hall had been prettily decorated with holly and evergreens. The music was supplied by the orchestra, and during the evening a delicious buffet supper was served. Those present were: Miss Margaret Adam, Miss Marguerite Schell, Miss Doris Woolson, Miss Margaret Armstrong, Miss Ruth Henderson, Miss Edythe Hemmick, Miss Kathleen Forbes, Miss Alex. Bradshaw, Miss Elizabeth Grimshaw, Miss Helen Whiteley, Miss Olive Acton, Miss Noel Cusack, Miss Doris McMoran, Miss Marjorie Renwick, Miss Phyllis Mason, Miss Grace Humber, Miss Margaret Fletcher, Miss Marian Hargreaves, Miss Dorothy Gaskie, Miss Lottie Dallas, Miss Eleanor Jesse, Miss Ruth Richards, Miss Gertrude Hill, Miss Margaret Harris, Miss Mabel Harris, Miss Mary Malcolm, Miss Millicent Umbach, Miss Gwendolyn Dawson, Miss Marjorie Stribbling, Miss Catherine Pearce, Mr. Arthur Fraser, Mr. Walter Fraser, Mr. Albert Russell, Mr.

Thomas Woolson, Mr. Claude Bissett, Mr. Edward Willis, Mr. Donald McMurchie, Mr. "Bud" Hocking, Mr. Thomas Whiteley, Mr. Brian Hunning, Mr. Leighton McKinnon, Mr. Kenneth Hogcock, Mr. Thomas Little, Mr. Eric Griffiths, Mr. William McFadden, Mr. Elmore Clark, Mr. Harry Webster, Mr. Herman Copas, Mr. "Bunny" Dier, Mr. William Oliver, Mr. Charlie Oard, Mr. Lorn Proctor, Mr. Eldon Knott, Mr. Jack McKenzie, Mr. Lewis Rounding, Mr. Walter Fletcher, Mr. "Burr" Henderson, Mr. Kenneth McAllister, Mr. William Dillabough, Mr. Darcey Scott, Mr. Archie Wood, Mr. Sidney Pettit, Mr. John Lyons, Mr. Ernie Harris, Mr. Vincent Dawson, Mr. Elmer Humber, Mr. Robert Marchant, Mr. Angus McLean (Vancouver), Mr. Alfred Hardney (Vancouver), Mr. Arthur Godfrey (Vancouver).

Hosts at Dance

Very delightful was the dance given last night by Miss Kathleen Holmes and Mr. Anthony Farrer in the private ballroom of the Empress Hotel. The orchestra supplied the music for the dancing, and during the evening refreshments were served in the palm room. The guests were received upon their arrival by the parents, Dr. and Mrs. Denton Holmes. Among those present were: Miss Mary Martin-Griffin, of Vancouver; Miss Kathleen Ross, Miss Rena Fleming, Miss Elaine Galtner, Miss Mickey Galtner, Miss Frances Johnson, Miss Margaret Homer Dixon, Miss Isobel Headley, Miss Kathleen Gann, Miss Mildred Phillips, Miss Dorothy O'Connor, Miss Joan Purpur, Miss Dorothy Downes, Miss Vida Shandley, Miss Marion Robertson, Miss Peggy Schofield, Miss Betty Schofield, Miss Sheila Stewart, Miss Mary Martin, Miss Yoda Pemberton, Miss Marjorie Gillet, Miss Maudie Innes, Miss Sheila Green, Miss Marion Farrer, Miss Phyllis Henderson, Miss Lucy Jordan, Miss Betty Bryden, Miss Yvonne Stewart, Miss Isabel Turner, Miss Louise Campbell, Miss Nancy Ross, Miss Bobbie Ross, Miss Carita Fraser, Miss Sybil Fraser, Miss Peggy Brindley, Miss Leila Pollard, and Messrs. Randal Matthews, W. Merston, Kelly Heming, Ronald Buchanan, Jack Carey, Charles Watson.

GULF ISLAND SERVICE

In addition to the service operated by the S.S. Otter to Gulf Island points from Victoria every Monday at 7:15 a.m., and Wednesday at 8 a.m., the S. S. Charmer leaves Victoria every Tuesday at 12 noon, calling at Port Washington, Ganges Harbor, Mayne Island, thence to Vancouver, arriving there about 8:30 p.m. The Charmer also leaves Vancouver every Monday at 8:30 a.m. calling at these points arriving at Victoria about 4:30 that afternoon.

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Santa Visit Party

Santa Claus entered "Hove Lodge," 516 Michigan Street, yesterday afternoon and was greeted by a large number of children. His visit was in honor of Mrs. Amy Whitty, daughter of Mrs. A. Whitty, and about sixty guests were present, who greeted his arrival in a manner which only the advent of Santa can call forth. He quickly tended to all the guests, giving the tiny tots presents and tangles which delighted them immensely. During the afternoon games were played, and later refreshments were served. Afterwards music was played and dancing took place, which was enjoyed by the "youngsters." Later came the delightful task of unloading the huge Christmas tree, which was profusely decorated with Yuletide novelties, and from whose well-laden branches were taken gifts for all present.

Hostess at Dance

On Saturday evening Mrs. F. E. Winslow entertained at a delightful dance at her home on Craigdarroch Road in honor of her young daughter, Pamela. The reception-rooms were gay with Christmas decorations. The guests included: The Misses Sybil Fraser, Helen Hendrick, Margaret Homer Dixon, Rosemary Johnston, Mary Martin, Betty Seale, Betty Batty, Naomi Mitchell, Velma Rihet, Mickey Galtner, Lou Williams, Alice Code, Betty Christie, Marjorie Fraser, Marjorie Robertson, Marjorie Ross, B. Butland, D. McIntosh, and the Messrs. Lorne Campbell, B. Lawson, A. Wilson, D. Campbell, John Symonds, John Lecky, J. Hedley, Tommy and Bobbie Tye, Tim Martin, Jack Ross and several others.

Distribute Hampers

This year has been a record year for the distribution of Christmas hampers for the families of returned soldiers by Municipal Chapter 1, O. D. E. Forty-six hampers were packed yesterday by members at their beach quarters in the Battery Building, and although an unusually large list had been received by the Chapter owing to the generous response of the public the requests will be fulfilled. The members spent a very busy day yesterday packing the Christmas hampers, and were greatly assisted by Rev. A. deB. Owen.

Return From Roseland, and her daughter, Miss Louise Campbell, who left recently for Roseland to accompany Mr. Campbell on his return to Victoria, arrived at Roseland at the end of last week. Mr. Campbell, vice-president and general manager of the West Kootenay Power and Light Company, of Roseland, had been a patient for the two previous weeks at the Sisters' Hospital, but was able to travel here last week.

From New Westminster
Mrs. Walter Harvey and her small son, James, are in the city to spend the holidays with Mrs. James Mellon, 1025 Burdett Avenue. Mr. Harvey will arrive on Christmas Eve, and with his wife and son, will return to their home in New Westminster the end of the week.

Home for Holidays
The Misses Pauline and Helen McDonald, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McDonald, of Roseland, have returned to their home at Roseland for the Christmas holidays after attending school here. They were accompanied by Miss Eileen Russell, who will be their guest for Christmas.

Going to Vancouver
After a delightful visit with Mrs. Arthur Robertson, Mrs. J. J. Shallcross is leaving this week to spend Christmas with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Shallcross, Shaughnessy Heights, Vancouver.

From Vancouver
Mrs. R. S. Day has arrived in Victoria from Vancouver, and is a guest at the Empress Hotel. Her daughter, Miss Tottie Day, who has been visiting friends here for the past few days, is also at the Empress Hotel with her.

Returns From Vancouver
Miss Alice Baines has returned to the city from Vancouver, where she is a student at the University of British Columbia. She is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Baines, Yates Street.

Visiting in Victoria
Miss Margaret Wilson, of Winnipeg, is visiting in Victoria as the guest of Rev. Dr. W. G. Wilson and Mrs. Wilson, 1716 Fort Street. She will remain here during the Christmas season.

Return Home
Dr. and Mrs. Beech, accompanied by their son, "Teddy," who has been attending school here, have returned to their home at Roseland for the holidays.

To Spend Christmas
Mrs. W. H. Roberts, 1901 Balmoral Road, is leaving tomorrow to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Fisher, Salt Spring Island.

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MR. AND MRS. ERIC HEREFORD GEORGE
Whose nuptials were celebrated last month in Honolulu. Both the bride and groom were former residents of Victoria and have a host of friends here who will wish them every happiness in their future life in Hawaii.

To Arrive Here

Miss Marion Blason, of the MacLean School teaching staff, Roseland, is arriving in Victoria shortly to spend Christmas with her mother, Mrs. O. Blason.

Brief Visit

Mr. Fred Morris, Mr. Cyril Wang and Mr. W. W. Leung, of Puffin Harbor, Salt Spring Island, were visitors in the city for a few days last week.

Home for Holidays

Mr. L. H. Laing, of the Kamloops public school staff, is here for the holidays, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Laing, 1419 Stanley Avenue.

Home for Christmas

Mr. Irving McDermott has returned to the city from Prince Rupert to spend the Christmas vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. McDermott, Uplands.

Visit Relatives

Miss Ella Munn and Miss Dora Millett recently left Victoria for Roseland, where they will spend Christmas visiting relatives.

Visits City

Mrs. E. Shephard, of Isabella Point, was a visitor in the city last week for a few days.

Visiting Vancouver

Mr. and Mrs. E. Walker, Bamberston, are spending the Christmas holidays with relatives in Vancouver.

Leaves for England

Capt. Hargrove, of Stelly's Cross Road, left on Saturday for England.

Returns to Mainland

Mr. Vic E. Andrew has returned to New Westminster.

COURT TRIUMPH

The ladies of Court Triumph, A.O.F., held a successful meeting Friday night, when the following officers were elected: Chief ranger, Mrs. Love; S.C. ranger, Mrs. Robertson; secretary, Mrs. Yarrowood; senior woodward, Mrs. Toy; junior woodward, Mrs. Sanders; senior headle, Miss McKay; Junior headle, Mrs. Flitt; organist, Mrs. Townsend.

A snow dance was enjoyed by a large gathering. The hall, decorated by Mrs. Davis to represent a Winter scene, won applause, as did the march of the clowns, Queen Mona receiving the first gift. A snowball medley and serpentine parade with colored lights created a riot of fun. A Christmas cake and other dainties were distributed, the refreshments being served by a committee convened by Mrs. Toy, assisted by Mrs. J. J. Pilgrim, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Sadler, Mrs. Crabtree, Mrs. McKenzie and Mrs. Hibbert.

HOLD ORPHANAGE SHOWER

The ladies of the Loyal True Blue Association held a successful shower in the Orange Hall, last Wednesday to provide Christmas cheer for their orphanage in New Westminster. Among the many present were Mr. Wardrop, of Vancouver, who spoke a few words encouraging all to put their shoulders to the wheel and help the deserving cause.

Fashions and Foibles
By Shirley Sharon



A tunic effect frock that saves a slip makes a smart frock for an ensemble costume and leaves a bit in the exchequer for fresh gloves, etc.

For a dress allowance pathetically overstrained by the need of new slippers, gloves, and all the rest of the list that is never ended, a frock that gives a tunic effect without necessitating an entire slip is a godsend. If the wrap-around lower part of the frock is made of material to match your coat, you have the new ensemble costume. Use brown knits for your coat and lower part of the dress and amber-colored silk crepe for the coat lining and tunic-like upper part, or combine dark blue twill and henna silk crepe in the same way, or black crepe or cashmere.

POPULAR VICTORIANS WEDDED IN HONOLULU

Miss Marguerite Verrier Becomes Bride of Mr. Eric George at Pretty Ceremony

A wedding of much interest to a wide circle of friends in Victoria took place on November 21 in Honolulu, when Miss Marguerite Verrier Ford, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. R. Ford Verrier, "Warburton," Victoria, B.C., was united in marriage to Mr. Eric Hereford, eldest son of Major and Mrs. Francis W. B. George, also of Victoria, B.C.

The ceremony was performed at St. Clements Episcopal Church by the Rev. Maitland Woods, M.A., with the organist and choir in attendance. The bride, who was given away by her cousin, Mr. F. A. Eschelor, was radiantly lovely in a white silk georgette gown of Early Victorian style. Her veil of white tulle, edged with old Maltese lace, the gift of her mother, was caught in place with a coronet of orange blossoms, which, with earrings of single orange blossoms, were given by Mrs. Eschelor, of Victoria, B.C. She carried a shower bouquet of bridal roses, orchids and lilies-of-the-valley. Her only ornament was a string of pearls, the gift of the groom.

She was attended by Miss Henrietta Buck in pale blue taffeta, also Victorian style, with a shower bouquet of pink roses and blue forget-me-nots.

Little Martha Chandler made a dainty flower girl in pink taffeta, carrying a basket of pink roses and forget-me-nots. The groom was attended by Mr. Edward A. Wootton, formerly of Victoria. The groom's gift to the bride was a crystal cut earrings, the flower girl a single pearl platinum brooch, and to the bridesmaid a gold belt buckle and watch chain. The bride and groom were the recipients of many beautiful presents. Mr. and Mrs. George will in future make their home at Waiwale Road, Kaimuki, Honolulu.

MYSTERY PLAY GIVEN

The Young People's Society of the Hampshire Road Methodist Church gave a successful and pleasing representation of a religious mystery play, entitled "The Love Gift," at the church on Friday evening. The play was preceded by an instrumental trio in the form of three Russian songs arranged for the violin, viola and piano by Herrman. The violin part was played by Mr. J. Burche, the viola by Mr. Johnson, while Miss Reta Ormiston was at the piano. This was thoroughly enjoyed, especially by the more discriminating among the audience, the personnel of the trio being in itself a guarantee of the excellence of the rendering. Mrs. Wilton sang "The Gift," by Behrend, in her usual effective style, ably accompanied by Mrs. J. McMillan.

In introducing the play, Rev. Frank Hardy briefly sketched the history of the mystery play in various countries, especially its inception and association with the church, and its revival in recent years in the shape of pageants. He asked the audience to receive it in silence, as it represented the contribution of the Young People's Society to the devotional exercises of their church. Effective scenery added considerably to the realism of the acting, and the beautiful theme was well portrayed. The climax of the play was reached when the mystic chimes rang as the true love gift was placed on the altar. There have already been urgent requests that the play be repeated in other churches in the district.

LODGE PRIMROSE

Members of Lodge Primrose No. 22, D. & M.O.E., are reminded of the children's party to be held in Harmony Hall Friday. Members are asked to phone 4093Y to let the convener know the number of children to be present, so that they may be provided for. The regular meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. The children's party will commence at 8:15.

Egyptian Parliament

CAIRO, Dec. 22.—The cabinet definitely decided this evening to dissolve Parliament, and King Faud's decree to that effect will be published today. The elections will be held within sixty days from the date of the decree, and the new Parliament will meet ten days after the elections.

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Last Word Is Spoken on Milady's Winter Styles

THE final word has been spoken on Winter fashions and the styles that now are seen in Paris represent the crystallized fashions of the present season. A composite picture of the accepted mode may be conjured up from the following details observed on the avenues and in the fashionable rendezvous of Paris.

Karadrap dresses are worn for the afternoon. Trimmings are seen in vertical lines which make a woman look taller and more slender. Skirts grow even shorter and narrower. Many coats are lined entirely with fur and sleeves have fur cuffs up to the elbow. Scotch materials are used for suits and coats. Fur is dyed pink, jade green, cherry color, to match the color of the afternoon gown or to contrast strongly with it.

Kasha coats are cut in straight lines and have large collars. Hats have almost no brims, but feature ribbon, buckle and feather trimmings. These are Directoire forms made of felt and panne in which several colors are often combined.

Neckties and Aviator Collars. Straight sleeves and long collars. Coat patterns do not show much variety. The aviator collar, the collar of draught-board material, the very pronounced crossing line of the coat, which closes to one hip, the two sides of each coat or the back of different material, bring some slight variety into the range of coat models. The sleeves are cut straight and with little width. The favorite colors are an old green, grey, brown and black, which is always elegant. The trimmings are silk, embroidery, in relief, style, soutache, ribbon designs, all rather rich and obvious. Pockets are very fashionable on greatcoats and give

then a more comfortable character. They are often embroidered to harmonize with the collar.

The evening gown are ravishing. Silver dresses reign supreme. They are made of brocade and lace and are covered with silver paillettes or strips of silver ribbon or with silver lace.

As to embroideries on evening gowns, it is certain that they never were used quite as much as at present and they are often combined with beads in the brightest colors. This does not mean that the simple and discreet evening gowns are not seen. Such gowns are usually made of black silk or velvet and combined with a wee touch of a bright color.

Much is heard in Paris about the Directoire style, but fashions have not quite arrived there as yet. The important couturiers are now showing evening gowns with very high waistlines and afternoon dresses which are buttoned up to the neck, but the Directoire cut is used only for the most extravagant of evening gowns.

For daytime there is a new small fashion consisting of frills which appear at the neck. They roll down on to the waist from a muslin collar which extends the chain in front and is open at the neck.

You might think that the red heel is a thing of the far past, but it appears again as one of the latest fads of the mode. Colored heels on light and dark shoes are "le dernier cri." A pretty decree of fashion has it that the ribbon on the heels must be the same color as the heel of her shoes.

DEMONSTRATE VIRGIL-CLAVIER METHOD

Pupils of Miss Marian Heming Heard in Interesting Recital at Empress—Sound Principles Shown

One of the invariably enjoyable students' recitals is that by pupils of Miss Marian Heming, and consequently the usual interest attached to the programme which was given by the products of her studio a few days ago at the Empress Hotel. Apart from the always obvious fact that the student is extraordinarily and unusually well grounded in the fundamentals, that no one proceeds to the application of any principles until the principles themselves and the technique embodied therein have been thoroughly absorbed, it becomes apparent as one listens to any of Miss Heming's students that they are receiving at her hands character-training as well as musical education, learning side by side with the latter the significance of accuracy and an analytic application to any subject which has to be mastered.

The programme opened with a demonstration of the first steps in the Virgil-Clavier teaching method which is employed by Miss Heming. This demonstration included exhibitions by some of the beginners as well as more advanced students of accuracy in touch, rhythm, chord playing, octave playing, etc. To show that in complete mastery of technique lies expression, some of the pupils were called upon to play even a scale with expression, while the value of mechanical rhythm was demonstrated by one pupil playing a fugue on the clavier, another on one piano, showing that the rhythm was absolutely together.

The remainder of the programme was divided into two parts, the first to permit the younger students, who have been Miss Heming's pupils only since last July, to be heard; the second, opened by a pianoforte selection by Miss Heming herself, giving the senior students their opportunity. Without exception they showed wonderful groundedness, and complete mastery of all the principles required for the presentation of composition of that type. In other words, no pupil attempted anything beyond his powers; all the way through the recital the listener was conscious only of the utmost poise and ease on the part of the players. This demonstration of advanced studentship was perfect and came to a brilliant conclusion.

TWO CHIC HATS FROM THE FRENCH



A departure from the suede hat studded with nailheads to resemble an ancient war helmet is seen in the more ornate model sketched above. This time the medium is satin, and instead of nailheads we have rhinestones. The little bow on the top is an effective French touch. Below this is a hat of black satin which shows a fine gold thread design. The black glistening ostrich feathers at either side drop well down to the shoulders. These two hats represent the types shown in satin. These divide favor for afternoon with the felt hat, which is worn now for all occasions.

Fashions and Foibles

By Shirley Sharon



The tailored dress in many cases has lost most of its mannish characteristics and is tailored only in its simplicity and beautiful workmanship.

Black ribbed silk quite untrimmed, heavy bronze-colored satin braided in string color, grey wool crepe with yellow buttons down the side, heavy silk crepe in brick red or almost green unrelieved by any other color, are the materials and colors seen in the new type of wrap-around dress. It is cut on narrow lines and has no collar, no cuffs, no sleeves and no skirt, long in the sleeve and close at the hip or almost uses this style for wool crepe and the new silk and wool faille.

Inclusion with Miss Rita Orniston's polished performance of a latest study.

Not the least interesting part of the recital was the demonstration in ear training which was given under the direction of Miss Heming. During this part of the programme one of the girls played on the piano a Heethoven composition, part of which she had never previously heard, having practised it entirely on the clavier. So uniformly meritorious was the performance that most of the audience could not tell which part had been studied at the clavier and which at the piano. This demonstration, of course, was intended to show that a complete technical equipment is the very backbone of musical performance. This whole performance was given with the closest interest and the enthusiastic applause which greeted the student pianists testified to the approval of the listeners.

ST. MARY'S PREPARES FOR CHRISTMAS DAY

Following the usual custom on Christmas Day at St. Mary's Church, Oak Bay, there will be celebrations of holy communion at 7, 8 and 9:30 a.m., also immediately following a shortened form of divine service at 11 a.m. Special Christmas music will be sung at this service, including Vincent's anthem, "There Were Shepherds."

On the following Sunday, December 28, the Christmas music will be repeated in the morning, and at the evening service, beginning at 7 o'clock, the choir will render a carol service, which will include the anthem: "Ring Out, Wild Bells." P. Fletcher, and the following carols: "All This Night," "Angels in the Realm of Glory," "Mauder," "Under the Stars" (M. C. Brown), solo by Master A. Bird; "Carols of the Flowers" (The Queens), "O Virgin, Peaceful and Blest" (Norman-French), solo by Master E. Whitmore; "The First Christmas Night," "Ring Christmas Bells" (R. F. Bridge). In addition a number of the more familiar carols, known and loved by everybody, will be sung.

The choir, composed of some thirty boys in addition to adult members, will be under the leadership of Mr. F. T. C. Wickett, A.R.C.O., choir-master of St. Mary's. Mr. T. R. Myers, the church organist, will preside at the organ.

Boys' beans require a short day and a long night to grow luxuriantly.

JAMES BAY HOTEL HAS NEW MANAGEMENT

Extensive Alterations and Interior Decorating Carried Out in Well-Known Hotel

Under entirely new management the James Bay Hotel has started on its new career with every promise of success. Since the beginning of the month the well-known hotel has been under the charge of Capt. W. Merston, M.C. and bar, D.C.M., and the personal supervision of Miss H. F. Hunter, who has had much experience in managing and directing hotels.

Miss Hunter was for two years dietitian and cateress at the Federated Women's Club, San Francisco. She has been associated with the Cliff Hotel, San Francisco, and was assistant manageress for the C.P.R. Banquet-Windermere Hotel. Miss Hunter is therefore exceptionally well fitted for her present position, to which she brings years of experience, which will undoubtedly be of the greatest value in directing the James Bay Hotel.

The hotel at the present time includes five private suites, seven bedrooms and eighteen bathrooms. Business has already proved so good, and indications that this will be further increased in a few months, that plans have been made for six new bathrooms which will be added in the Spring.

Extensive work in the building and pleating interior decorations have entirely transformed the hotel within the last month. Mr. Harry Catterall has been the contractor for the work, with the exception of the living-room and dining-room, where the very decorative wallpapers, and the floor tiling after the famous Hampton Court pattern in the color of lacquer red, were supplied by the Studio of Interior Decoration, David Spence, Ltd.

The dining-room is a room of unusual treatment. The walls are covered with a Chinese paper, the design reminiscent of the willow pattern, on a background of lacquer red. The windows, curtains are of gold gauze, as also are the light shades. The woodwork is a light tone of grey, and the waitresses wear neat costumes of grey and light olive green, with white lawn cuffs and collars. There is also a children's dining-room for little guests under ten years of age.

An additional attraction is the excellence of the cuisine, which is one of the features of the hotel.

A large lounge room has been opened recently, where wicker furniture upholstered in art canvas; a piano and some fine rugs give the room, which has wall-paper of a tapestry and foliage in shades of taupe blue and gold, a cheerful and home-like appearance, so essential for any great length of time.

The bedrooms are prettily lightened by cheerful chintzes and bedspreads of contrasting colors.

With the reservations already revealed, and the permanent guests in the hotel, it is anticipated by the hotel management that there will be a full house over Christmas and New Year.

The opening functions of the hotel will be held on Christmas night, when accommodation will be made for 120 guests for dinner, which will be followed later by a dance.

SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENT

Quadrant Street was the scene of a merry gathering last week when parents and friends of the children gathered to enjoy the efforts of pupils and teachers in the annual Christmas entertainment. There were songs, dances, drills and sketches to the number of thirteen items, sustaining the interest and enjoyment for well over two hours.

Division One sang two choruses, "Just a Cot" and "My Boat is Waiting Here for Thee." A dance, "Maypole," by Divisions One and Two was a beautiful item, suggestive of bright Spring and banishing from thought the wintry weather without. Dumbell exercises by the boys of Division Two was a picture of rhythmic action. Three Morris dances by girls of Divisions One and Two revived memories of the old-time Old Country folk dances. A solo dance by little Miss Marjorie Grude, a gifted pupil of Madame Velde, and a ruse of the evening, dress costume in applause. The charming songs by Miss M. Humphries added much to the pupils' efforts. A song by Miss V. Middleton of Division One, won her applause.

Division Four in quadrilles gave nursery rhymes beautifully and simply. Five sketches were well staged and well played by Divisions Six, Five, Three and One. The tiny tots of Division Six in "The Christmas

Spiders" afforded much delight and amusement. The note of unselfishness was sounded in the sketch by Division Five, "The Lost Toys." Division Three in "Tom-Tit-Tot" and in "The Magic Hat" showed dramatic power and feeling well beyond the years of the young players.

The concluding sketch, "Mixed Fruit," by Division One, the older pupils, was a play in verse of some merit and the actors did their part to sustain the quality of the play. It was marked by good movement and good voice, and the costumes were a feature to be admired anywhere.

During the evening Mrs. Muncey, wife of the principal, was presented with a floral gift by the girls of the school whom she had trained in the various dances. A crowded audience greeted the children in their performance.

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Crepe in the rich russet tone that is so new and smart makes the unusual tunic frock sketched above. Fine gold thread traces a border design on the tunic, and there are also gold thread designs on the cuffs and high collar.

This high collar exploits a new note that appears in some of the frocks this season. The majority of neck lines are low, but the reappearance of the high collar furnishes a new note of interest.

The slip worn beneath the tunic is black satin. The tunic is slit to reveal the slip, and a band of the black satin outlines the round neck of the tunic itself.

CHRISTMAS RECITAL

Pupils of Mr. and Mrs. Semple Give Programme

A large gathering of parents and friends assembled at the B.C. Academy on Friday evening to enjoy the Christmas recital of the Junior pupils, violin and piano, of Mr. and Mrs. E. Semple. The first part of the programme was given by pupils from six to fourteen years of age.

The senior pupils were: Piano, Mrs. E. Holt and Miss Winnie Near; Violin, Miss Charles Buckler and Raymond Tydesley. Among the Juniors the work of Willie and Kathleen Irvine, Verma Holt, piano; and Chris. Miller and M. Billingsley, violin, are especially worthy of mention, although all the students showed much musical understanding and evidence of careful training. The following took part: Marjory Taylor, Allen Bradwood, Willie and Kathleen Irvine, Verma Holt, piano; and Chris. Miller and M. Billingsley, violin. Lydia Dawley, Mrs. E. Holt, Winnie Near, Mrs. C. Johnston, Dorcas, secretaries, Miss Beddell and Mrs. J. Royal.

SALT SPRING NEWS

GANGES HARBOR, Dec. 26.—A special general meeting of the subscribers to the Lady Minto Gulf Islands Hospital took place on Tuesday evening at the Mahon Hall, Ganges, for the purpose of passing resolutions dealing with the incorporation of the hospital and the isolation building. The latter business committee had been instructed to look into the last annual meeting in April. The president, Mr. Edward Walter, was in the chair. The business which had been prepared by Messrs. Elliot, McLean and Shandley, were read and passed. After discussing the advisability of erecting a small isolation hospital it was agreed, after all difficulties had been considered, that the matter should be left in abeyance.

On Tuesday afternoon in the I.O. D.E. room, Ganges, the annual meeting of the Women's Auxiliary took place. Owing to the severe weather there was not a large attendance. Mrs. A. W. Collins, president, was in the chair. The officers elected for the coming year were as follows: President, Mrs. A. W. Collins; Vice-president, Mrs. D. S. Harris; Secretary, Mrs. Walter; Treasurer, Mrs. T. F. Speed; Literature Secretary, Mrs. Johnston; Domestic secretaries, Miss Beddell and Mrs. J. Royal.

The annual Christmas sale of work of of Salt Spring, I.O.D.E., took place at the members' room, Ganges, last week. Sixty-nine dollars was cleared for the Chapter's funds. The holiday stall was in charge of Mrs. W. E. Scott and Mrs. Ringwood; the fancy stall, Mrs. Rowan and Mrs. Alan-Williams; candy stall, Mrs. D. S. Harris and Mrs. Harvey; the bran tub, Mrs. T. F. Speed and Miss E. A. Crofton. Tea was in the hands of Mrs. P. Beech, Mrs. C. Abbot, Mrs. Walter and helpers.

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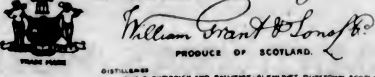


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How Does Your Boy Handle Cap Pistol?

By W. H. RICHARD
(One of Foremost Riflemen and
Trapshooters in the World)

A reader of the daily paper these days can scarcely scan the pages of his morning news without his eye catching the announcement of another homicide, the direct and seemingly always fatal result of the playful pointing of an "I didn't know it was loaded" pistol or revolver. It is not, however, always the short hand gun that is the headlines in these accounts, for it sometimes follows that little Johnny has ambitiously bushwhacked sister with daddy's favorite shotgun, but the net results are usually the same.

After some forty years spent in handling firearms, half of that period as a professional, the writer has often wondered just what percentage of these daily killings could, if the truth were known, be laid to the early childhood handling and parental teaching of the use of the common cap pistol.

An Early Craving
Every normal boy child develops early a craving for some form of firearms, a craving that is usually gratified by the indulgent parent in giving the child as realistic a cap pistol as can be secured and then teaching him to point and snap at every living thing that makes up the family circle. Dad sometimes goes so far as to play "dead" himself when little cutie performs the especially bright trick of snapping the toy pistol under daddy's ear.

Ever play that sort of thing with your boy, and if so did it occur to you that some day not far in the future Willie is going to be old enough and strong enough to open the bureau drawer where you keep the burglar defence, or to drag forth from the corner your hunting knife and find some shells for it if it is not already loaded? Willie's first impulse as a result of his toy pistol training is to reach sister or brother with a weapon that to him is as harmless as his own toy.

Do you picture the result? Not pleasant is it? But who is to blame? **A Few Examples**
The other day on a train in the Middle West, a little chap four or five years old, with his mother occupied a double seat in the day coach. This little fellow had in his possession a very realistic and business-like cap pistol with which he was amusing himself by pointing and snapping at every person in the vicinity, telling each victim he or she was "dead" as the result of his aim and marksmanship.

Finally the conductor, a kindly-faced elderly man, came along and after being designated as a fit subject for the coroner, suddenly snatched the pistol from the youngster. We thought the pistol would

go out the car window, but no; instead the conductor placed the muzzle against the little fellow's head and snaps, against his body and snaps, keeping up at the same time a line of talk about killing and as to the length of time it took the supposed victim to die as a result of the many theoretical shots fired into him.

Beautiful training for that boy to grow up on, and how many thousands of other innocent babies are receiving the same kind of childhood impressions implanted by inexcusably foolish and ignorant grown-ups. Is it any wonder that we who love firearms for the clean, healthful recreation they bring are beset by proposed laws conceived largely by lucky survivors of just such training as narrated above.

Lasting Impressions
The cap pistol in itself is not to blame for the many lamentable accidents that follow in its wake. It could be and in some homes is used as a means of preventing them. First impressions are lasting impressions and suppose the child was taught when given his cap pistol that he must understand no circumstances ever point his pistol at any living thing. That to point even a finger at a person, sister, brother, friend or neighbor, is bad form and must not be done. Train him to this idea and you need not worry so far as he is concerned, there will be no "didn't know it was loaded" killing in your family. How are you training your boy to point a cap pistol?

CRIQUEL NIENET TO GERMAN BOXER

Unwilling to Disqualify Former
Enemy Though Fighting Pool in
Christmas Gala at Paris

PARIS, Dec. 22.—Carpentier, Dundee, Crichel and Ledoux refereed the four bouts of the Christmas gala boxing tournament at the Velodrome, Saturday night, before the largest crowd that ever witnessed an indoor boxing show in France.

Carpentier officiated in the bout between Unuskin, the Spanish heavy-weight, and Humbeek, the Belgian champion, who was knocked out in the fourth round.

Dundee was the third man in the ring when the French middleweight, Molina, defeated middleweight Jack Walker on points in ten rounds.

Eugene Crichel, whose jaw was shattered by German bullets in the war, displayed great leniency toward the former enemy, the German boxer Grimm, who used foul tactics in a ten-round bout which he lost on points to the Belgian, Shackle.

"Had he been a Frenchman," said Crichel after the bout, "I should have disqualified him."

Bonspiel Date Fixed
NELSON, Dec. 22.—The annual bonspiel of the B. C. Curling Association has been fixed for January 5 at Trail, the executive announced.

SIR C. STUART IS VISITOR IN CITY

WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ADDRESS
PUBLIC MEETING

Director of London Times Has Had
Eventful Career—Is Im-
pressed by Province

Suffering from the effects of a severe chill, Sir Campbell Stuart, director of The London Times, who arrived in the city on Monday, will not be able to fulfil any public engagements while here.

Sir Campbell is accompanied by his mother, Mrs. Ernest Stuart, who throughout the war was president of the ladies' executive of the Province of Quebec Red Cross Society. They are guests at the Empress Hotel.

The distinguished visitor, once managing editor of The London Daily Mail, is deeply impressed with British Columbia. "It seems to me that nature has been very good to British Columbia and has placed resources here to make it a manufacturing province," he said.

Knighted for Services
Sir Campbell Stuart raised an Irish regiment in the province of Quebec for service in the European war in 1915. He was afterwards sent by the British Foreign Office to the Washington, Embassy, and in 1917 was appointed secretary of the British War Mission to the United States. He returned to England in 1918, was appointed deputy chairman of the same mission and knighted. Five months later Sir Lloyd George, then Prime Minister, appointed him deputy director of propaganda in enemy countries. He presented him with a Croix de Guerre in recognition of his official residence. The story of his activities has been described in "The Secrets of Crowe House."

Got Control of Times
At the end of the war the British Government sent him on mission to Italy, and shortly afterwards he became managing editor of The London Daily Mail. This was followed a few months later by his appointment as deputy chairman and managing director of The London Times.

When Lord Northcliffe died Sir Campbell Stuart, secretly backed by Major J. J. Astor, the present proprietor of The London Times, entered into a long-drawn-out contest with Lord Northcliffe's son, Lord Northcliffe's younger brother, for the control of The Times. Sir Campbell won and at once retired from the active management of the paper, taking a seat on the board of directors, to which no member of the staff in the new regime belongs.

This has allowed him time to travel and more than ever identify himself with Canadian activities abroad. He is very active in collecting records for the Canadian archives, and his banquet in the Palace of Versailles was given with this object in view.

FATHER CHRISTMAS MIGHT LIKE TO KNOW ABOUT THIS

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tary of the Veterans of France, unless Private R— had dropped in to the clubrooms yesterday, and asked if his four little girls might not be invited to the club Christmas tree. He was not asking anything for himself, Private R— was anxious to explain, but he would like his four little girls to see something, somewhere, of a little Christmas cheer.

The case of Private R—, as investigated by Messrs. Cameron and Bloom, was found to be as follows: Private R— is a miner by trade who served in the Great War as a soldier in the Middlesex Regiment. He came here two years ago. He is disabled by rheumatism from following his calling as a miner. His disability is a war disability, but he is one of the many thousands whose

cases do not come within the purview of pension boards. At any rate, Private R— has no pension. He does casual work when he can get it. He has had two days' work in the last three weeks—two days of unloading coal barges. He and his wife and four little girls are knowing what hard times mean. Private R— was unloading coal barges for two days during the recent cold snap, but he had no fuel in his house; and as he had not enough bedding in the house to keep his children warm, he had to walk them about at night.

An Extra Kiddle for Luck
Messrs. Cameron and Bloom vouch for the case of Private R—. The children of that family have been invited to the club Christmas tree. But what is needed in that family is something to eat on Christmas Day, and some fuel and bedding, and, above all things, a job for Private R—.

Then there is the case of Private D—, late of the C.E.F. Private D— has a wife and three children of his own, and one adopted child, a child that was left by a dead comrade. Private D— was discharged as medically unfit, but there is no pension for him either. He needs money badly, does Private D—, because there is only two dollars in that family to see it over Christmas. When he was looked up by Messrs. Cameron, Private D— said that if there were more deserving cases it did not matter, but if there was anything left over, he would be glad of a share.

Secretary Thinks
Secretary Thorpe, of the Canadian Legion, can tell some rather grim stories, too. He can tell the story of X—, a royal Navy man in the Great War, who was injured in a war disability. The Pension Board acknowledged it, but cannot see it was under the rules to grant a pension. He has been a resident of the city for many years. He has only done odd jobs for months, and his family has been practically kept by the kindness of friends, and the forbearance of grocers with unpaid accounts. The best Christmas present that Santa Claus could bring to that family would be a steady job for the husband and father; but meantime there is no very joyous outlook for Thursday morning in that family.

Secretary Thorpe can tell other stories of that sort. They are all stories of families where the father served in the Great War, suffers from some sort of disability, cannot get steady work, are knowing the bitterness of Christmas in a home where little children are wondering whether the ancient legend of Santa Claus is not a fairy story that only comes true for some children and not for others.

To Santa's Deputies
Capt. C. F. L. Money, secretary of the Army and Navy Veterans, has his own list of grim stories. He heard of the case of Private Y— only yesterday. Private Y— served in the Great War as a soldier with the G.I.E. He has a wife and four children. The mother is suffering from tuberculosis, and Private Y— cannot get out to look for work because he has to stay home and try to nurse his wife and look after the children. "I am loth to speak of this," Capt. Money told The Colonist yesterday, "because we try to look after all cases that come to our attention. But we only heard of this case by the merest chance. The worst cases are those of men who are too proud to speak until their plight is desperate. And this is a desperate case. It is enough to say that the family is destitute."

The Army and Navy Veterans are giving a Christmas tree to children of ex-service men, and to the sea cadets. In all the cases mentioned an effort will be made to see that the children concerned have a good time for part of one day at least. But what the secretaries of these organizations believe is that if the warm-hearted deputies of old Father Christmas in Victoria are made acquainted with these stories, maybe Thursday shall dawn in some of these homes with more of comfort and cheer in it than these homes have known for many cheerless days.

U.S. PAPER ENVIES CANADA RAIL RATES

A foreign view of Canadian freight rates, appearing in The Press, of Minot, North Dakota, has been arousing interest in the West. The statement appears in editorial form as follows:

"In January, 1924, The Omaha Bee published the results of an exhaustive study it had made with reference to the cost of producing and marketing wheat in this country, as compared with the cost of producing and marketing wheat in Canada. One of the most significant features of this report was the difference in cost of transportation to the Canadian wheat grower and the American wheat grower. It showed that the Edmonton, Canada, wheat grower can reach the Chicago market by lake and rail haul for a rate of 30 1/2 cents per hundred weight. The same rate prevails to the wheat grower in the Calgary, Canada, district. But the American wheat grower who ships his wheat to Chicago from American Falls, Idaho, must pay a rate of 43 1/2 cents per hundred weight to get his grain delivered in Chicago, or more than twice what it costs his Canadian competitor to reach the same American market. The rate from Billings, Montana, to Chicago is 52 1/2 cents per hundred weight; from Cheyenne, Wyoming, 50 1/2 cents; from Denver, Colorado, 50 1/2 cents; from Grand Island, Nebraska, 37 cents; from Mitchell, South Dakota, 22 1/2 cents.

Says Canadian Lower
"For export purposes the Edmonton wheat grower can lay his wheat down in New York, using a lake and rail haul, at a rate of 47 1/2 cents per hundred weight. The same is true of the wheat grower in the Calgary district. The wheat producers who ship from American Falls, Idaho, for export to New York must pay a rate of \$3.17 cents per hundred weight, using lake and rail haul. From Billings, Montana, the rate is \$3.17 cents; from Denver, Colorado, it is \$3.17 cents; from Grand Island, Nebraska, it is \$3.17 cents; from Mitchell, South Dakota, it is \$2.17 cents. "From this it will be seen that the cost of transportation is much less in Canada than in the United States. The difference is so great that it amounts to many cents per bushel. The cost of railroading is about the same in both countries. If any difference exists in the cost of operating the railroads, the lower cost should be in the United States, where climatic conditions are more favor-

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TROUPE GIVES CONCERT

DEEP COVE, Dec. 22.—An enjoyable evening was spent in the Deep Cove Hall last night when the Deep Cove Social Club held a concert and dance. The concert was by the Deep Cove Choral Minstrel Troupe, who sang negro songs and chanted amusingly. The actors were: Messrs. S. Lee, W. Basher, W. Warren, W. Cowell, J. Crossley, E. Lavesey, O. Thomas, E. Blackburn and B. Copthorne. Mr. Lee, as Sambo, and B. Copthorne as Rastus carried on the dialogue, the other members of the troupe intervening every few minutes with a catchy song and chorus. Some of the songs were specially composed for the occasion.

"Anyway, the freight rates on wheat here in the United States seem to need revision."

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criticizing different parts of the district cleverly, much to the amusement of the large audience present. Mrs. Gleason and Mr. Robinson supplied the music for the dance, which was kept up till 1 a.m.

The name agate is derived from the River Achates, in Sicily.

Louis the Sixteenth of France was guillotined January 21, 1793.

Take this list to the nearest Tobacco store

There is no need to worry over what to give a smoker. Nothing he likes so well as good cigars or tobacco. But be sure the "smokes" you give are good. Don't take chances on unknown brands. Give him TUCKETTS. To make your selection easy—take this list to your nearest tobacconist. He will be pleased to supply your wants.



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1 A cigar which has been favorably known to smokers for over thirty years. Made in two shapes.
Marguerites in boxes of 50 \$4.50
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In boxes of 50 \$6.00
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Belle Nature Cedar boxes of 10 1.40
Christmas banded fibre board packages of 10 1.25 |
| TUCKETTS SERENE
2 A moderate sized cigar, mild and fragrant, of the famous "Tuckett" quality.
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Christmas wrapped boxes of 25 2.50
Christmas banded fibre board box of 10 1.00 | TUCKETTS PREFERRED PERFECTO
5 Another very popular size and shape in the famous Preferred line. A full bodied yet mild cigar of the most delightful fragrance.
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| TUCKETTS CLUB SPECIAL
3 Here is another Tuckett brand which has been well and favorably known to discriminating smokers for many years.
In boxes of 50 \$5.50
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Sold by Good Dealers Everywhere

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To him I'd say
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Is easy to clean,
Much time and much trouble it saves,
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It delivers most capable shaves."

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Provincial Treasurer Resigns
WINNIPEG, Dec. 22.—Hon. F. M. Black, Provincial Treasurer of Manitoba, has resigned his portfolio in the Bracken cabinet to become vice-president in charge of finances of the Winnipeg Electric Company. It was announced this afternoon. Mr. Black before entering the government was treasurer of the United Grain Growers, Ltd.

On Sunday evening next, at 7:30 o'clock, a Christmas concert will be rendered by the Sunday school, assisted by the choir. As usual, the manager Dabe of Bethlehem, who assumed human flesh to become the Saviour of men, will be the theme of the Christmas story, as it will be retold in verse and song. The decorations are expected to surpass those of former years, and they will be in evidence at all of the holiday services.

On the last evening of the old year a Sylvester Eve service will be held at 8 o'clock. The public is cordially welcome to all of these services.

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At the Playhouses

"CHU CHIN CHOW" IS SPECTACULAR FILM

British Special Attraction at the Dominion Theatre This Week—Shows Betty Blythe as Slave

There were three classes of audiences at the Dominion Theatre last evening for the screening of England's greatest masterpiece, "Chu Chin Chow," which was given its premiere in Victoria. There were those who had seen this wonderful opera in the flesh, and sought to make comparisons as a film production, those who had heard for years of "Chu Chin Chow" and who had never had an opportunity, and those who are straight movie fans who go to anything regardless of its reputation.

There is no doubt left in the minds of all three classes that the Dominion Theatre is presenting one of the finest pieces of art Victoria has had the pleasure to see.

The radiant color of the opera itself was reflected in the musical programme accompanying the picture.

The settings and properties are remarkable, both in the mass and detail, and romantic Baghdad is reproduced with imaginative fidelity.

The film is a British production closely following the original play and made in a thorough British manner. It is a laborious and expensive production.

The players are for the most part unfamiliar with Canadian movie-fans, which tends more quickly and surely to establish the necessary illusion. About the only familiar character is Betty Blythe and half the time she is unrecognizable because she wears an old, fuzzy crop of hair.

Betty plays the beautiful Zahrat and wears some arresting Oriental clothes. One of her costumes is the gown of pearls. If you have any doubt of the impression that the "Queen of Sheba" was Betty at her best, the desert flower of hers will change that all at one time.

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AMUSEMENTS

The Screen

Capitol—Virginia Valli in "In Every Woman's Life."

Coliseum—"Love and Glory," starring Charles de Roche and Madge Bellamy.

Columbia—"Jealous Husbands," featuring Earle Williams.

Dominion—Betty Blythe in "Chu Chin Chow."

Playhouse—Henry Edwards in "In the Shadows of Whitechapel."

Victoria Gyros—Lunch in Jail.

Women's Union of First Baptist Church—Complete Annual Meeting.

The regular meeting of the Women's Union of First Baptist Church was held last week, with Mrs. Bishop in the chair. The principal business was the completion of the annual meeting. Reports were received from the evangelist committee, missionary and baby band. The finance committee, under the chairmanship of Mrs. Galbraith, which had adopted the "group method" for raising money, reported \$780.16 since last February, showing a balance in hand for the year of \$1,072.61. The retiring president, Mrs. A. B. McNeil, gave a splendid report of the year's activities, thanking those who had co-operated in obtaining the desired results. The pastor, Mr. Freeman, then addressed the meeting on the Christmas spirit, and urged the women to show the spirit of "Love to All" as exemplified in the birth of Christ.

Miss Phyllis Elliott and Miss Beulah Johnson sang very sweetly, accompanied by Miss Olga Hare at the piano.

The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. H. Bishop; first vice-president, Mrs. A. B. McNeil; second vice-president, Mrs. Beveridge; secretary, Mrs. Dr. Russell; treasurer, Mrs. Waller Laing; finance convener, Mrs. Wm. Dinmore; flower convener, Mrs. McConnell; missionary convener, Mrs. Angus Galbraith; refreshments, Mrs. Quinn.

Veteran Pioneer Succumbs
FERNIE, B.C., Dec. 22.—Francis White, aged eighty-one, one of Fernie's oldest and most respected citizens, is dead here. He was a real Western Canadian pioneer, being one of the first settlers in Calgary, arriving there via prairie schooner from Butte, Mont., in 1882. He was born in Birmingham, Eng.

The table was arranged in horseshoe fashion and piled high with flowers. The guests, a gay society group of fifty, ate and drank merrily, and it might have been just another one of those elaborate dinner parties which the movie stars give for their entertainment, save for one fact:

The guests, instead of being seated in the customary chairs, were each astride a thoroughbred horse, drawn up and held at a beautifully arranged table by grooms; and they ate from jannets, held suspended by ribbons from around their necks.

This is just one of the surprises which leaped out at the audience from the screen at the Capitol Theatre last night with the opening of First National's newest feature, "In Every Woman's Life."

There were many others—high life and shipboard scenes, horse-racing and battles, but the "dinner on horseback" capped the climax of all for surprise. We have never witnessed anything like it on the screen.

Virginia Valli, more beautiful than ever as a result of the marvelous costumes for which her scenes call, enacts the role of the girl, and she achieves a triumph exceeding even that of "The Storm" and "The Signal Tower."

As the paralyzed count, Marc McDermott performs one of the most remarkable feats ever seen on the screen. Unable to move hand or body, he literally acts with his eyes so intelligently and expressively that his meaning is unmistakable.

Stuart Holmes, Lloyd Hughes, John P. West, Ralph and Vera Lewis and other favorites complete the cast.

The story is an adaptation of Olive Wadswell's novel "Belonging." Its splendid direction was the work of Irving Cummings.

"In Every Woman's Life" will be at the Capitol Theatre until Saturday.

PLAYHOUSE Henry Edwards in "In the Shadows of Whitechapel."

THEATRE Bill and Christa White as Lisa have never done anything finer in their careers. The story itself is the work of the former, and how it has been possible for him to grapple successfully with it, as author, producer and leading player seems beyond comprehension. "In the Shadows of Whitechapel" is a strong human story, abounding in incident and accident, altering sunshine and sorrow, kindness and cruelty, success and failure. It is poignant and pathetic, but not without precious gifts of hope and faith that banish despair. The vicissitudes of Lisa and Bill give scope for the presentation of an infinite number of character studies that are as convincing as they are intriguing. "In the Shadows of Whitechapel" is now showing at the Playhouse Theatre.

COLUMBIA "Jealous Husbands," a THEATRE First National picture, produced by M. C. Levee and directed by Maurice Tourneur, now showing at the Columbia Theatre, is a remarkable photoplay in many respects—and one of the most grippingly entertaining films that it has been our good fortune to see in some time. "Jealous Husbands" is a picture that keys up your nerves to a high tension, never letting down until "Pina" is flashed down the projector. It is a masterpiece of suspense. Much of the credit for this remarkable result goes to the fine cast selected by Mr. Tourneur. In it are Earle Williams, Jane Novak, Ben Alexander, Don Marion, George Selmann, Emily Fitzroy, Bull Montana and J. Gunnis Davis.

COLISEUM A time lapse of fifty THEATRE years, which carries a story begun during the period of the Franco-Prussian war into modern settings and situations and which necessitates a range of characterization from youth to old age, marks "Love and Glory," now showing at the Coliseum Theatre, one of the most unusual pictures of the year. The picture, released as a Ruyter Julian-Universal-Jewel production, is based on the novel, "We Are French," by Percy Moore Sheehan and Robert Davis. The cast features

VICTORIA GYROS LUNCH IN JAIL

Chief Fry and Police Department Hosts to Service Club Men—Flagstaff Station Inspected

Members of the Victoria Gyro Club yesterday were guests of Chief Fry and the Police Department at the City Jail at the noon hour, and the inner workings of the department were explained to them, after which they were shown over the police station. They enjoyed a repast that exceeded in excellence and quantity the bread and water fare, and they thoroughly appreciated the fine hospitality extended to them.

Chief John Fry, the principal speaker, after welcoming the Gyros, said that the police had been using the station on Flagstaff Street for the past nine years. The entire building, with the exception of the room where the firm alarm office is located, was used wholly by the police department. He said the work of the policemen was to protect life and property, and in the carrying out of their duty they had to risk their own lives. He said that the city was protected by forty-three men and three women, and the department was worked in three shifts in every twenty-four hours.

Retiring Police Commissioner Ernest Hall said that Victorians could be proud of the efficiency and honor of the Victoria police force. He said that in Chief Fry the city had a man who was uncorruptible and undaunted. The city was free from all the influences of Oriental despotism, he asserted.

Francis Gyros' Interest
Police Commissioner Alken told the Gyros that Victoria was one of the cleanest cities on the North American continent. He said that Victoria was so well looked after and managed by the Victoria police department that only one case came before Magistrate Jay last week, something which, he said, has not happened before in the past seventeen years. He expressed gratification that members of the Gyro Club were taking such a keen and intelligent interest in civic affairs, and emphasized the necessity of all Gyros seeing that their names were on the voters' list and exercising the franchise.

Mr. Walter E. Stenland, police commissioner-elect, said that police departments concentrate on special branches of work, such as traffic, criminal investigation, the streets, etc., but his sympathies were with criminal investigation. He believed that by watching the avenues of entrance many undesirable would be kept out. He thought the motorcycle force of the police should be increased. He said that the department's exchange of photographs of fingerprints with other cities was proving a great success and benefit. The cost of building the present police station was \$30,000, he said.

The finger-print identification system was explained to the Gyros by Mr. Harvey Bamford, who is in charge of this branch of the department in Victoria. He said that no

two sets of finger prints in the whole world were the same, and stated that between 40,000 and 50,000 sets of finger prints were on file in the station.

Mr. Charles Garrett, past president of the Vancouver Gyro Club, was a guest and received an ovation when introduced to the gathering.

Fatal Motor Accident
CASPAR, Wyo., Dec. 22.—Three persons, all negroes, were instantly killed and four injured, when the automobile in which they were riding plunged through a railroad viaduct on the Salt Creek highway, just north of the city limits, this morning.

ROYAL

December 26—January 3

Reginald Hincks Presents

GIANT XMAS PANTO

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NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Two more deaths in Bellevue Hospital today brought to thirty-six the number of alcoholic fatalities here since December 1. The victims were John A. Ryan, song writer, and Nicola Flaccante, a laborer.

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History Repeating Itself in Craze for Crossword Puzzle

Tantalizing Educational Fad of Present Day Was Born in Early Ages—Brain Teasers, Either Literary or Mechanical Have Swept Over Earth Every Thirty or Forty Years—Records of Old Problems

WRITER PREDICTS LONG STAY IN POPULARITY

WHEN the crossword puzzle was introduced to Victoria by The Colonist a few weeks ago, it won instantaneous popularity. The craze is advancing like a verbal avalanche upon the people of this continent. In the news columns of the newspapers in the last week the spread of the latest of intellectual diversions is everywhere proclaimed. The University of Kentucky has established a crossword course in its department of engineering. Ministers are making their congregations remember texts by displaying the verses on huge screens in the form of the newest brain twister. There are crossword tournaments and contests, and many a standard game is taking a back seat in this holiday season.

All the suburbs are thrall to the joy of the elusive square. The suburbanites, who forgot the bridge what for the "none," the commuter, as he fares to his urban calling, buries himself in the newspaper, pencil in hand, more intent on recalling the "kine" means cows than in anything else in the universe. No wonder that the brakemen, who once thrived so well by providing lapboards and cards for the smoking cars, are now lamenting over the loss of "argent dargues," of which they now seldom see a dime. On the ferryboats are thousands who sit on the stairs intent on finding out if there is such a word as "erast" and unimindful of the passing feet. The crossword is the slogan of the day. In many offices the executives are beginning to worry about the urge of the prevalent pastime. The news comes from such cities as New Haven that employees of factories are threatened with dire discipline if they attempt to solve their puzzles in working hours. In every direction is the quest for information as to how this insatiable craze can be put to rest.

The hunt for the genesis of the puzzle as it is today is the work of those tasks which would appeal to the German investigator of painstaking habits of routine. A Teuton Journalist who has just returned from Berlin was reported last week as saying that American culture was at so low an ebb that the people of the United States were doing little else but studying books of etiquette and solving crossword puzzles. Perhaps he will start on the trail.

Expert Gives Opinion
Sam Loyd, who has made thousands of puzzles, says that he regarded it as a modification of the old word square or word form, of which he gives a few examples in his monumental cyclopedia printed ten years ago. In some form or other, this intellectual tantalizer is, according to Loyd's belief, 5,000 years old. It may even be prehistoric. The earliest records of characters or symbols or signs in a formation so that they could be understood in the same sense whether read across or vertically can be traced back to the ages. The idea was revived a quarter of a century ago by a well known agricultural machinery company which used acrostics in Latin as its trademark, the four short words sig-



NEW BROOMS
The Geyser (to the new man-of-the-world): "Well, you've plenty of brooms, all your own selection; now let's see what sort of a job you make of it."

nifying that the reader could do his work better with the aid of wheels. Often messages of importance were communicated in these squares by the ancients, especially after they had cut them in two and sent the cut parchment bearing them by separate messengers. When the two pieces were matched the meaning could be understood at once, and if one carrier were seized, the captured information could not be obtained by hostile hands.

The real reason for the word square and all such mental diversions, including anagrams, riddles, acrostics and cipher, is found in that trait in mortals which makes them responsive always to a challenge.

The crossword puzzle is a brain buster—it is a defiance, and every one is willing to take up the gauntlet. Every one of us believes, with Edgar Allan Poe, that no puzzle or cipher was ever invented by man but that another man might solve. On this theme, it will be recalled, Poe built that fascinating tale of "The Gold Bug," in which the treasure hunters unravel a seemingly eternally tangled cryptic record of a hiding place. Before learning was the common gift, and when such things as reading and writing were considered as the pastimes of mere shavelings, the rebus or the picture puzzle served its day. For the last thousand years, however, as spelling has become more and more of a universal accomplishment, and everybody can use figures and do sums, the answer to the crossword puzzle have been favorites.

The nearest of the aboriginal kin of the puzzle as we know it today seems to be the "magic square" or the "magic disk," in which either letters or numerals could be arranged so as to have meanings to those who studied them at various angles. Faust, seeking all wisdom, is pictured in an etching of Rembrandt studying intently one of the "magic disks," on which is a complicated arrangement of letters which contain

some formula for doing wonders, if employed by those who understand. Albrecht Durer anticipated the present craze in his engraving entitled "Melancholia," which is the saddest of brain teasers. It depicts a woman sitting on the ground surrounded by all the trappings of learning. Here are scientific instruments, geometrical figures and ponderous tomes. One authority interprets this picture to mean the despair of reason in the presence of so much that must be added to human knowledge. In the background on a wall, and with an hourglass near it and a bell above it, is a magic square which resembles somewhat the numerical squares which have caught man's fancy in the last century.

Figures Shown on Device
The figures on the device are as follows and in this order:

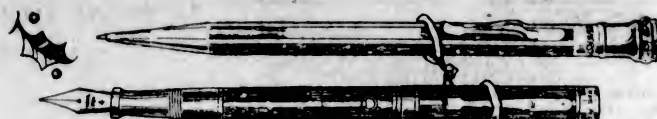
16	2	2
5	10	11
9	6	7
4	4	1

It will be seen that the sum of these characters, when additions are made horizontally or vertically, is 34. The total of the figures on one diagonal is the same. The central figure make 17, if read on the bias. The two upper figures in the middle make five, and another combination of five can be had by adding the figures at each end of the last line. One solver of mysteries reads in the bottom group also the year 1514. The plate was made that year away on a 16th of May. Interpretation is that this magic square contains the date May 17, 1511, that is 5—17—1514, that of the death of Durer's mother. This may be what Durer sought to convey, although the time indicated is in dispute, as some authorities say the parent of the artist passed away on a 16th of May.

As a matter of fact, this magic square is a symbol of the planet Jupiter, and appears on many amulets worn by those who were born under Jupiter and were, therefore, supposed to be of a jovial temperament. The old print does not, in all probability, have anything to do with the reversion in a personal way, but rules to the puzzling ways of learning, to the hard task of trying to read the riddle of the universe.

The formation of mottoes and pious

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the reigning favorite. In the first number of St. Nicholas, printed in November, 1873, however, were given several word puzzles, but it is not until December number that the expression "cross-word" appeared.

There was a word square which is composed of elements taken from a sentence by hanging together the end of some word with the beginning of another. The sentence was:

"He gazes (1) toward the lone beach (2) on the far distant hillside and (thinks (3) how happy he should be could he but (4) own all those broad and fertile fields."

From this statement was evolved the combination:

Z E S T
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T O W N

The characters, or "cross words," spell the same, read across or down.

The first geometrically formed puzzle, known as the diamond, which was put on the bill of fare, was a play of words which had "Narcissus" in the middle and also vertically it required an intimate knowledge of mythology for its unraveling.

Competitions Shown in Play

In the first decade of this century the existing craze began to wane. In a play by Du Maurier, produced in 1909 in London and also in New York later, and called "An Englishman at Home," the various members of the Brown family are discovered at the rise of the curtain engaged in "wit competitions" the making of limericks, and the like, and one of the boys is playing diabolo, a Spanish game then much in vogue. Mrs. Brown is later shown as having come very near to winning one of these "wit" tournaments for which a newspaper had offered prizes. The crossword puzzle books of 1924, with their pencils and notebooks, and their puzzles in blank, had their prototype in England about this period in a volume printed by the house of Skeffington. It contained many pages, on which the statement of the puzzle was made on one side and blank spaces were left for the writing of the answers. The game of "Word Building," which it featured, was not unlike the latter day delirious diversion.

Puzzles similar to the crossword maze, in which various combinations were made by the movement of a supposed knight, as in chess, have been printed for many years in German newspapers of this city. In the Sunday edition of The New York World (about 1913) the puzzle began to attract the attention of many persons

outside of the old guard of puzzlers which always had been more or less devoted to it. Many minds were applied to the game and improvements in technique were rapid.

The introduction of the black squares added new zest to the game, as they gave it greater flexibility. The new arrangement gave more "clues." The plain word square often called for unusual knowledge and its solution was laborious. The crossword puzzle, which became a craze last August under the urge of promotion from various sources, can be worked by a person of limited vocabulary as well as by the most aggressively erudite. There are few of us, for example, who would know offhand that "od" is a supposed force, yet its name appears easily as the final step of a puzzle. All that any one need do is to verify his suspicions by looking at the dictionary.

The crossword puzzle owes much of its popularity to the fact that it can be easily constructed by the patient amateur. In the juvenile publications of yesterday and in the puzzle craft for youngsters of today the interest in the brain busters is heightened by the fact that many a clever young person can compose them. The making of puzzles had been a hobby of the newspapers for public solution, however, is not new by any means. The child readers of juvenile magazines did it for years, and also there were fathers and mothers who helped more than a little in those throes of composition. The older generation now is doing openly what it did in secret a decade or so ago.

Few there are who will hazard a prophecy as to how long the crossword will have its present firm grip on the popular imagination. Pads and crases, so called, seldom die. There was a dancing mania in 1912, and wisecracks shook their heads and said it would soon pass, but it has not; as witness new cabarets and dance palaces every week. The end of radio was predicted in the Summer of 1922, but that pastime seems bound for a ripe old age. Thirty or forty years ago some folk discontinued their telephones, saying that telephony was merely a passing fad and their curiosity was satisfied. The automobile also was a frivolously slated soon to pass.

Who buys "Authors" these days, once a game by which we absorbed literature? Who works jigsaw puzzles? Who thinks of roller skating? The answer is that there are many thousands and thousands of persons who still purchase "Authors," who are getting jigsaw puzzles, who love to

whiz by on roller skates. The indications are that the crossword puzzle will be a live topic for years to come and a permanent feature of newspapers and magazines. If it should ever come into the gloaming, there will still be many thousands of disciples who will gather at the old shrine and drink from its Pictorian spring.

BALD HEADS ARE PREDOMINANT IN BRITISH CABINET

LONDON.—The newly-formed Baldwin cabinet, already hailed as a "miniature of silk hats," and a "cabinet of Londoners," has achieved another distinction; that is, it is likely to prove the nickname "baldheads," already given by the press most appropriate.

For most of them are bald. Only Lord Birkenhead, the Secretary for India, and Austen Chamberlain, Foreign Minister, can boast of anything like an abundance of hair on their heads, and Mr. Baldwin himself exhibits a distinct cleavage between the desert and the oasis. The rest are beyond all aid of paraffin, coconut oil or the thousand and one other preparations guaranteed to cover even a billiard ball with a growth of luxuriant foliage. Unkind critics say that never before has the old phrase, "leather-headed toady" been so strikingly illustrated.

The war minister, Sir Laming Worthington-Evans, is accounted the baldest of the "baldheads." Then there is Winston Churchill, Chancellor of the Exchequer, whose lack of hair is a prominent feature of his appearance, but whose shining top is particularly distinctive. Lord Chancellor Caza and the lord privy seal, Lord Salisbury, are "just bald," while Sir William Joynson-Hicks, the Home Secretary, has plenty of hair in back but is the possessor of what is courtously known as a high forehead with a receding line of hair in front.

Dandies Rob Butcher's Shop
MONTREAL, Dec. 22.—Two dandies entered a butcher store on St. Catherine Street shortly after 7 this morning and escaped with a diamond ring and \$1,540 in cash. The proprietor, who was alone in the store at the time, was trussed up with his own apron strings and shoved down in the cellar of the store. The ring was snatched from his finger, and the cash register containing the week-end receipts, cleaned out.

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Storm Works Damage On Sidney Waterfront

SIDNEY, Dec. 22.—Seldom has Sidney experienced such a storm as that of Friday and Saturday night. The wind was terrific and did considerable damage along the waterfront. The boathouse at Resthaven broke away from its moorings and was washed up on the beach nearby. The pierhead was again sunk at the wharf and a number of small boats were sunk or damaged.

AUXILIARY REVIEWS YEAR

COURTENAY, Dec. 22.—At the recent annual meeting of the Women's Auxiliary of St. John's Anglican

Church the election of officers for the coming year was as follows: President, Mrs. H. V. Collins; vice-president, Mrs. Ringrose; secretary, Mrs. J. Curwinton; treasurer, Mrs. G. T. Corfield; committee, Mesdames Ramsey, Haymen, Tylor, Hornby and Miss Vine.

During the past year the auxiliary raised nearly \$500, some of which was expended as follows: Interior finish to St. John's Church, Courtenay, \$152.50; insurance, \$112.50; dues, \$140; cleaning, \$39; Sunday school, \$15.80.

During the past year, besides the interior panelling in St. John's in Courtenay, St. Andrew's Church at Sandwick was installed with electric light, a big improvement. The cemetery, also at Sandwick, was kept in good repair.

Fire Returns to Raze Residence at Sidney

SIDNEY, Dec. 22.—On Saturday night a house on Third Street owned by Mrs. Howard Carter, of Victoria, but occupied by Mr. and Mrs. J. St. Louis, caught fire. Owing to the high wind it was impossible to control the flames, though the Sidney Mill fire brigade, as well as the Sidney department, turned out and fought strenuously. The house was a wreck before they had the fire subdued. It was entirely owing to the good work done by the men that the adjoining houses were not burned also.

The fire started in the afternoon in an upper story. The Mill men turned out, and with the help of the driver of the Flying Line stage, Mr. Jack Moffat, extinguished the fire apparently completely. Some sparks must have remained, as the conflagration burst out again in the evening. The house and furniture were both partly covered by insurance. Some of the furniture was saved.

SANTA VISITS SCHOOL

ALBERT HEAD, Dec. 22.—A jolly Christmas tree was held at the Albert Head School last Friday afternoon, when the parents and friends of the school children, with their teacher, enjoyed a varied programme of Christmas carols, drills, monologues and a short play in two parts. Special comment might be made of the fact that the children played on a complimentary on the school organ. Two solos were rendered very creditably. Santa Claus arrived much to the joy of the younger members, who, with great delight, received lovely presents from the well laden tree, at the hands of Santa himself. Refreshments were served by the ladies.

KOKSHALAH NEWS

KOKSHALAH, Dec. 22.—The Christmas season has not been forgotten here. Four Christmas concerts within three days prove that absolutely. Two of these were held in the Indian Church, one in the Indian school-house and one in the school for white children, in the village. The Indian mission is about a mile away from Kokshalah village, but the entire community, of both white and native people, is under the pastoral care of Rev. W. H. Gibson, who, with his energetic and capable wife, bring much of the spirit of Christ into the homes of the people. Miss Maud Barner, who teaches in the Indian school, and Mr. James Likeman, teacher in the village school, have been true leaders among the children, who took a very creditable part in the entertainments.

The first was held in the village school on Wednesday night, when Mr. Likeman had charge. A good crowd braved a cold night to attend a very successful occasion.

On Thursday afternoon, the Indian school, on the bank of the river, was a true Christmas scene, when a nicely decorated tree and a programme, given by the Indian children and friends, made a happy school-closing exercise. In this case the presents

gation, contributed by the Women's Missionary Society of the Central Methodist Church, Victoria. The programme consisted of lantern pictures shown by Mr. Gibson, choruses and recitations by the Indian children, and the singing of the hymns. Over ninety were served with lunch and hot tea at the close. The tree was illuminated with candles, while Santa Claus came in true jolly style, with many jokes and stories as he distributed the presents.

SANICH NEWS

SAANICH, Dec. 22.—The West Saanich Institute Hall was filled to capacity on Thursday evening when the school children gave their annual Christmas concert. The chair was taken by Trustee Holland. The programme, excellently carried out, was as follows: Operetta, senior girls; dance, Daphne Clark; "Molly's Wish," play, juniors; "The Little Man, Tiny-tot," skit, seniors; "Snowflakes and Fairies," play, juniors; pantomime, "The Sleeping Beauty," seniors and juniors. Following the concert refreshments were served by the children. The evening's entertainment finished up with an impromptu dance.

A Christmas tree and social was arranged by the Sunday school teachers of the Anglican Church, Mrs. A. White and Mrs. Johnston, at the West Saanich Institute Hall on Saturday evening. The children, with their parents, assembled at 7 o'clock and spent a merry time with Christmas refreshments. A 9 o'clock refreshment was served. The real event of the evening came with the stripping of the Christmas tree. Each child received a present as well as the usual Christmas goodies, and all left for home in happy frame of mind.

COLWOOD SCHOOL CONCERT

COLWOOD, Dec. 22.—The Christmas concert given by the pupils of the public school Friday evening was a huge success. Every item of the programme was well carried out.

"The Basket of Flowers," in which the teachers, Misses G. Hawkwood and C. Cullum, appeared, together with most of the pupils, deserves special mention. A huge basket, designed and made by Mr. W. H. Bosworth, occupied the centre of the stage. In it were the smaller girls dressed as daisies.

The seasons were represented by Muriel Pearson as Spring, Norma Parker as Summer, Phoebe Buxton as Autumn, Miss Cullum as Winter, and Ian Gilliford as "Jack Frost."

Miss Hawkwood, in costume, representing the "Sun," introduced the seasons with appropriate songs. Following the seasons came a lantern drill, beautifully carried out, Marion Noda, as a "Gelsa," occupying the centre. The whole item was wonderfully effective and the burst of applause from the large audience spoke volumes.

The programme was: "A Basket of Flowers"; "Chin Chin Chinaman," Jackie Brown, Jimmy Wilson, Gordon Walsh and Jack Newham; "Holy Night," by the school, Phoebe Buxton

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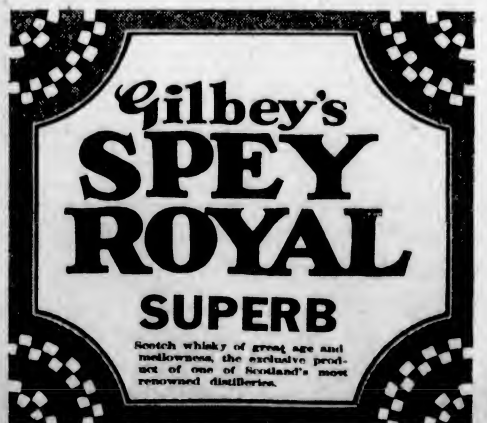
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Farmer: "A lantern, lad! When I went a-cootin' I never took my lantern."
The Farmer's Boy: "No, maister. That's why I'm taking mine!"
—London Opinion.

for the children were sent from Calgary, Alberta, by the McLaughlin Mission Circle of the Central Heights Methodist Church, whose young ladies made twenty-nine attractive parcels for the children.

Thursday evening witnessed a gathering in the Indian church, where service is held for the white people of the community by Mr. and Mrs. Gibson every Sunday afternoon. The church was comfortably filled though the night was cold. Some faithful friends walked from Duncan to be present and help. Addresses were delivered by Rev. Hewitt and Mr. H. A. Thorpe, of Duncan, and by the chairman, Rev. Gibson. Mr. Likeman contributed a violin solo and acted as accompanist for the evening. The girls and boys did good work on the programme. One item is worthy of special mention, wherein little Margaret and William Holshoe took the part of children going to bed on Christmas eve. A cot was arranged on the platform; the little ones, with Mrs. Gibson as mother, prepared for bed, singing their prayer before retiring. The lights were extinguished and the candles on the Christmas tree were lit. The Misses Gwen, Owen and Maud Barner took the part of guardian angels and, dressed in white, sang a pretty duet. Then Santa Claus crept in and searched the children's stockings, but as he retired, he stumbled over the foot of the cot, and the little ones aroused and looked in their stockings when the denials from the audience numerous juvenile voices called for a song from Santa, which the jolly old chap gladly contributed. The usual Christmas presents among the members and families of friends took place at the close, distributed, of course, by Santa. The Indian Christmas tree in the same place on Friday night was featured by a substantial lunch, prepared by Mr. and Mrs. Gibson; and by a present for every child of the congregation.

as the Madonna; wand drill, senior girls; "Romany, Romany Pitch and Robert Southwell; solo, Phoebe Buxton; sketch, "The Obstructive Hat"; ghost drill by Leslie Buxton, Robert Southwell, Robert Shields and Kenneth Buxton; and "Christmas Elves," introducing Santa Claus (John Southwell). During the last item every child received a present.

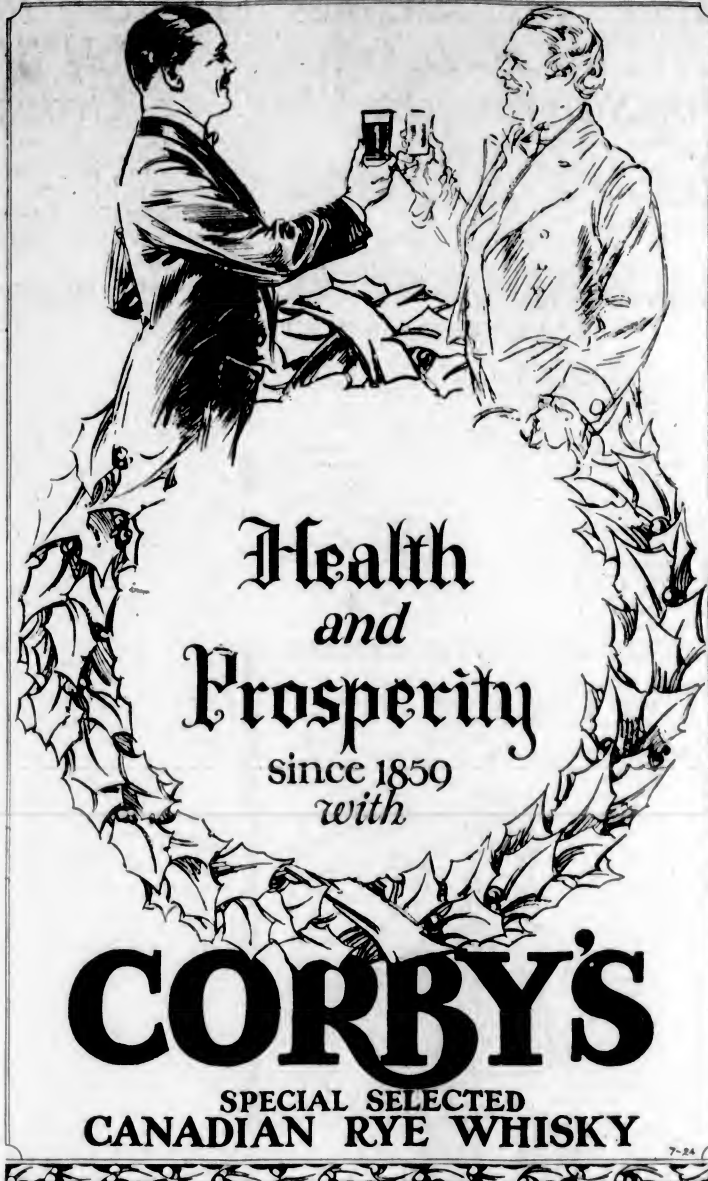
Under the capable direction of Mrs. H. Parker and Mrs. E. Peatt refreshments were served to all. A dance followed, for which Mrs. E. Shields and Mr. J. H. Goodall supplied the music.

SOOKE SCHOOL CLOSURE

SOOKE, Dec. 22.—Friday evening the children of the Sooke School, under the able management of the teachers, Miss MacGibbon, Miss Johnston and Mr. Waddington, gave a much-appreciated entertainment in the Sooke Hall. The building was artistically decorated for the occasion, the arrangement of the stage being especially beautiful in the way the walls, hung with ivy and evergreens, represented Nature's handiwork. The children's costumes, scenery, singing, solos and recitations were most commendable. Especially pretty was "The Dance of the Poppies" by eight pretty little girls.

Little Nanol Frenchard's dancing of the sailor's hornpipe and Irish jig was wonderfully good. Extremely funny was a dialogue by the senior boys, "Pulling the Tooth," which evoked roars of laughter.

The entertainment was followed by a beautifully spangled Christmas tree, from which Dr. Felton, who made a splendid Santa Claus, drew presents galore for all the youngsters in the hall, packed to its utmost capacity. Miss Florence Muir good naturedly contributed to the musical part of the entertainment, which came to an end



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with enthusiastic clapping of hands from the audience, who were afterwards amply provided with the best of sandwiches and cakes.

GIRLS' CLUB MEETS

KEATING, Dec. 22.—The Junior Institute Club of South Saanich held its annual meeting at the home of the Misses Mitchell, with the president, Miss L. Ryan, in the chair, and a good attendance of members. Miss M. Mitchell acted as secretary in the absence of Miss Y. McNally. An interesting report of the year's work showed the club with a good financial beginning for the coming year. The work of the club has been of a varied nature, as the girls have done a great deal toward the social life of the district and have always been busy. The election of officers for 1925 was held with the following results: Miss L. Lawrie, president; Miss B. Butler, secretary; Miss P. Gale, director; committees, Miss L. Ryan, buying; and Miss L. Lawrie, advertising.

Tea was served by the hostess.

Christmas Service Held
SIDNEY, Dec. 22.—The Christmas service held last night at the Union Church was well attended. The church was pretty with its decorations of Christmas greens, and the service, with three anthems sung by the choir, and the well-known Christmas hymns, was beautiful. Rev. T. Griffiths preached an eloquent sermon, his subject being the birth of Christ.

Ambassador Blames German Crown Prince For Starting the War

Empress and Junkers Also Played Part in Forcing Kaiser's Hands, According to M. Jules Cambon, Who Represented France in Germany Previous to Outbreak of Hostilities—More Stirring Memoirs

AMAZING INCIDENTS SAVE FRENCH CAPITAL

The second instalment of extracts from the diary of Lord Hertie of Thame (1914-1918) deals with the conclusion of the Battle of the Marne, the fall of Antwerp, and the beginning of the race to the sea.

The Ambassador was still at Bordeaux with the Government. He has a word of criticism for the Kaiser, with whom he often dealt severely, and he has much to say of interest to tell us of the strange concentration of events which saved Paris, the reasons why the Germans anticipated no Belgian resistance, and the foolishness of the Declaration of London.

Particularly important in the account given by M. Jules Cambon, the famous French Ambassador in Berlin, of the Kaiser's personal responsibility for the war.

SEPTEMBER 24, 1914.—Still anxiously awaiting the result of battle which has been going on for some days. Here they are. I think, too confident that the Germans will soon be driven far away from Paris, and even out of France altogether. I heard from Grey this morning, which letter he says he is inclined to think that Joffre has done a great feat in bringing his army back intact to the line of Paris when he had odds against him, in being able to make his army take the offensive in so short a time after his long retreat, and in choosing the moment for that offensive when the German army in France was weakened owing to the withdrawal of German troops to the Eastern frontier. He also says that he is afraid the success of last week was too good to be continued, but it must have had a very great moral effect, and the Germans are now fifty miles farther from Paris.

September 17, 1924.—We shall have definite news of the battle in two days' time. Here there is already talk of returning to Paris.

Winston Churchill's speeches may be to the taste of his audience but in my opinion they are in very bad taste, and it was foolish to talk of "digging out the Germans like rats". Immediately afterwards they sank three of our cruisers of 12,000 tons each with great loss of life.

Lloyd George's reference to the emperor was undignified; it would have been better to speak of him with contempt than with the kind of abuse applied to him, and not to have, in the speech, depicted of the bear's skin before killing him.

Close Call for Paris
September 29, 1914.—When the ministry took office on August 26 nothing had been done to prepare the outer forts of Paris; (fallen), when consulted, said it would take at least three weeks to get the requisite big guns into position; they were sent from Cherbourg and Lorient. If the Germans had arrived at Chantilly a little sooner they might have got into Paris, for once through the lines of the outer forts there would have been nothing to stop them.

What has prevented the catastrophe is a combination of extraordinary events: The Germans invaded Belgium, which the French did not expect. The Belgians resisted instead of only protesting, as the Germans hoped and expected. We took action, which surprised the Germans; they thought that as the Belgians would only protest, we would do the same. Then there were French's wonderful rearguard actions and the stoical courage and discipline of our troops, which gave encouragement to the French, and our stand against the German onslaught notwithstanding the exhaustion of our men and the reduction of our forces by deaths, wounds, and prisoners taken by the Germans. The French who had had a terrible defeat at Charleroi before our troops

arrived on the scene, pulled themselves together, and fought admirably.

Now, every day we are told that a great and deciding battle is to be fought, and that every day it is "demain" (tomorrow). The suspense cannot go on much longer; if it goes well the Germans may be developed and lose several army corps or they may be able to retreat the great losses in men and "materiel." Everyone here is confident that they cannot break through the Anglo-French lines. God grant that it will be so.

Belgian Feeling Ran High
October 2, 1914.—The Germans had some reason to think they would not meet with armed opposition to their passage through Belgium. The Belgian Minister for Foreign Affairs rejected the first demand by the German Minister for free passage, but when he returned with fresh assurances, and said that if the demand were not acceded to it would be enforced by 1,500,000 soldiers, the Belgian Prime Minister threw up his hands, saying: "What can we do in the face of such a situation?" The German Minister derived the conviction from this statement that no real resistance would be made.

A Belgian millionaire, owner of a newspaper, got wind of this interview and published an article in which it was said "A bas les Allemands." (Down with the Germans.) For this he was arrested by the Belgian Government, but the feeling thereby created and the consequent public demonstrations forced the Government to release him, and convinced the King and Government that they must resist the Germans.

The millionaire, whose fortune has shrunk from about £800,000 to about £200,000 through German destruction, was one of the hostages for the payment of the fine of £8,000,000 sterling imposed on but not paid by the wealthy of Brussels. He escaped. He says that one of the causes of the German Emperor's fury and of the severities which he ordered was the shooting of the Prince of Lippe by a woman cook with a fowling-piece from a window.

As an instance of German spying he gives the following: Whilst he was a hostage at Brussels he was very politely saluted by a German staff officer; he was surprised, and showed it. The officer then took off his cap and said: "Don't you remember me? I was an employee at your hotel." The millionaire then recoiled him.

Must Have Sound Peace
October 9, 1914.—If Joffre be victorious and succeed in obtaining Alsace-Lorraine for France, he may do anything he may please—even be of combination of Monk and King Charles and name the Charles. Many level-headed people seem to think that the result of the war will be a sweeping away of the present governing classes; it would be a sort of "coup d'état" approved by a majority of the nation.

Some fear that the French may be of the war before Germany and the Hohenzollern Prussian military system has been annihilated, and that a rotten peace may be patched up, on this point England must be firm and insist on a fight to the finish.



THE EX-KAISER, THE KAISERIN AND PRINCESS
From a photograph taken shortly before the war.

so as to put a real end to militarism. Her two big allies cannot make peace without her concurrence.

October 11, 1914.—Antwerp has fallen! All that can be said in mitigation of the loss is that the circumstances of the fall might have been worse; the Belgian army might have been shut in, and have had to surrender, and our marines and sailors might all have fallen into the hands of the Germans.

Our plan of campaign will have to be revised. A good many French generals have been removed from their command.

I hope that the King of Rumania's death may alter the attitude of the Government in that country; I rather doubt it unless Italy move against Austria, but she waits to see which side will make the better offer. The Italians imagine themselves to be much superior to the ancient Romans and to be destined to be the great Mediterranean power and the possessors of Tunis, Malta, Egypt, and the Turkish islands.

Blockade Was Difficult
October 16, 1914.—I have had a most interesting conversation with the official military economist adviser of the War Office here; he says that manufacturing life is going on much as usual in Germany, that there is food enough in the country, and in Austria-Hungary, to last seven months and that, as we allow much materials and foodstuffs, to reach Germany through neutral states, there will be no means but military occupation to bring the war to an end; such a thing will be difficult if not impossible of execution, for the possession of Antwerp and practically of the whole of Belgium, will enable Germany to get all the food (whether willing or not) to supply herself more easily than hitherto.

He says that we ought to declare a blockade of Germany, to encircle her as Napoleon had tried to establish against us a continental blockade but failed, whereas we, by our sea board, ought to succeed. The importations of all things into Norway, Sweden, Denmark, and Holland have very greatly increased, also their exports to Germany—horses, iron, nickel, copper, petroleum, oil, food stuffs, and etc.

We cannot declare a blockade of the German Baltic ports as we cannot get into that sea, and if we did we might not be able to get out again. We should have to declare a blockade of Norway, including Sweden and Denmark, and of Holland, as well as the German North Sea ports. That would, of course, be impossible.

London Declaration Bar
The object, that of starving Germany, might perhaps be effected by understanding with those neutral states that they should prohibit the export from their territories of the articles we object to Germany receiving.

They would probably refuse and even if they accepted, the United States Government, the only Government which would not might claim that the declaration of London (1909)—which at the outbreak of the war we said we would observe in principle at the instance of the theory of continuous voyage, and that we have no right therefore to enquire what may be the ultimate destination of goods consigned to a neutral port in neutral ships. The only mode of possibly getting around the difficulty would be to square the United States Government, by arranging to buy any cargoes which would increase the neutral supply above its average receipt of such goods; I doubt this system being practical.

The economist claimed that, as Germany had broken all engagements standing in the way of the execution of her desires, we are entitled to act similarly towards her. We have, however, undertaken to the American Government to act on the principle of the declaration of London. "There's the rub."

United States Bug Bear
October 20, 1914.—What hampers us dreadfully is that foolish declaration of London, which the House of Lords wisely rejected and the Government unwisely adopted in part for this present war; it prevents up from controlling the importation, through neutral states, to Germany of articles which will enable her to continue the struggle much longer than if there had been no such declaration, and may have very serious results for us. It is the fear of the United States, who see fine opportunities for driving a roaring trade with Germany, that prevents us from asserting ourselves.

We would snap our fingers at the other states such as Italy, Spain, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, and Holland.

October 26, 1914.—Jules Cambon has been to see me. He told me some interesting things; that there is great discontent in the country at large at the ineptitude and want of preparation for war of successive Governments owing to what is called "la cuisine politique."

At the end of the war, which may not be for a year hence, more there will be a movement for a general election which the present Chamber will resist. Joffre, if ultimately victorious, will have the army with him and could do anything, but probably he has no ambition, and there is no worthy pretender for him to mock to; if there were a Gambetta he would lead the country and the Chamber.

Italy Not Prepared
Cambon saw Ben. Giolitti when laid up on what was to be his deathbed. As for the attitude of Italy in the war, R. G. said that there are three considerations affecting the question of her joining the triple entente—morality, opportuneness, and readiness. There must be a good season and a good opportunity, and the army must be ready, and it was not so.

Jules Cambon told me that the German Emperor had sent back to their employment in Italy mobilized Germans who were in business there either as employees or employed, so that they might be—and they are—spies of Germany in the war zone, and that the German Emperor had played in the game.

He said that, in the frequent conflicts between the Crown Prince and the Emperor, the Emperor had always taken the son's part, that the Emperor had become very jealous of the military party, and what part the German Emperor had played in the game.

The Emperor had been over-ruled by the Crown Prince and the military party and saw that he must go with them or lose his position in Germany.

The chancellor and Jagow and Co. hoped to carry matters by a bluff, and felt sure that Belgium would merely protest and let the Germans pass, and that England would not actively intervene. No doubt the Emperor and the German Government were cognisant of the terms of the Austrian ultimatum to Serbia before it was presented; they thought that Russia would talk but would not fight.

In a conversation with Jagow warned him that Germany would have to fight England as well as France and Russia, and, though Jagow affected to disbelieve Cambon's statement, it evidently produced an impression on him. Cambon went from Jagow to Goeben, whom he asked what he had said. Goeben told him that he (Goeben) had not been authorized by His Majesty's Government to use language of so definite a character.

"Never mind," replied Cambon, "if it succeeds in preventing war no harm will have been done. If England supports France, I shall have been a warning prophet. If England remains neutral, which in fact she will not be able to do, considering that it was at the instance of the British Government that the French fleet went to the Mediterranean and left the Channel to be policed by the British fleet, I shall have left Berlin as the representative of the enemy France and nobody can call me to account for having misled Jagow."

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NORTH DAIRY CLOSING
The annual Christmas concert at North Dairy School was held last week. The programme rendered by pupils was thoroughly enjoyed. Mrs. R. Hicks presided at the piano. Among the items rendered a poppy dance by eight senior girls in costume was especially pleasing, as was a fan drill by six junior girls in Oriental costume. A row drill by six boys caused roars of laughter. Nursery rhymes by the primary pupils were well acted. The closing item, a play, "Knowdrop," was well rendered by the senior pupils.

On Friday evening the pupils were at the school en masse to enjoy a bounteous supper and games. Then the long looked for advent of Santa Claus was the signal for the curtain to rise and a well laden Christmas tree was soon relieved of its gifts by the versatile old fellow amid much excitement. The Parent-Teachers' Association mainly made possible the enjoyable evening. Scott & Peden, Parkdale Grocery, Patterson, Store and Mar. Bu. of the Quadra Street Greenhouses, gave donations of fruit and candles.

\$25,000 Jewelry Robbery
KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 22.—Three men today robbed the A. Diamond jewelry store of jewelry valued at \$25,000.

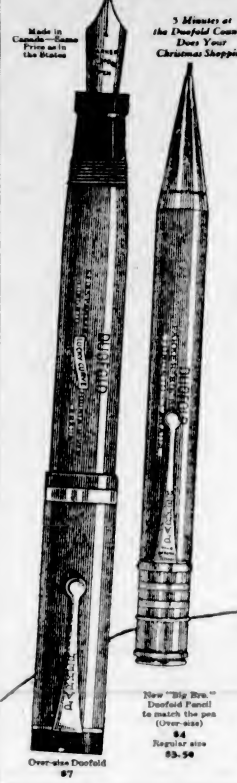
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CIVIL SERVICE IS SPURNED BY CITY

CITY COUNCIL KILLS MUCH DEBATED MEASURE

Alderman Todd Uses Stratagem to Annul Measure, Alderman Marchant Charges

The proposed civil service by-law was killed by the City Council last night—by a ruse, Ald. Marchant declared.

After the by-law had been introduced into the council and given its second reading, Ald. Todd moved that it be filed, but withdrew his motion a moment later to support that of Ald. Ker to the effect that the council resolve itself into a committee of the whole to consider it.

Hardly had the Mayor declared Ald. Ker's motion carried when Ald. Todd submitted:

"I move we rise."

The motion was seconded quickly. Whereupon Ald. Marchant, sponsor of the by-law, jumped to his feet.

"That was simply a ruse to kill it—by rising without reporting on it," he declared wrathfully.

"A ruse?" Ald. Todd queried playfully.

"Yes—a ruse. I am as familiar with points of order as you are," Alderman Marchant thundered. "And I shall be ashamed of the gentlemen who vote for it."

When the motion was put, Aldermen Blair, Mara, Ker, and Todd and Aldermen Marchant, Dewar and Harvey voted against it.

After the Council meeting had been adjourned, a moment later, Alderman Marchant declared that he would bring up his by-law next year, while Mayor Hayward and City Clerk Bradley hastened to pursue a manual of procedure to discover whether the measure would be held in abeyance for another year. Neither would vouchsafe a final opinion after searching carefully through the book.

The matter arose near the beginning of the meeting, when the special committee's report was considered. This recommended the appointment of a commissioner to make

a survey of the civil service at an expected cost of \$500.

Alderman Todd strenuously opposed the recommendation on the score of economy. It meant the expenditure of more money, he declared, and an increase in taxation.

Ald. Todd denied that the proposed measure would increase efficiency. The civil servants were much more efficient than the staff either of the Federal or of the Provincial Government. It was well known that in the past ten years the staff at the Parliament Buildings had been increased enormously, while the staff at the City Hall had been correspondingly diminished.

Ald. Todd's motion that the committee's report be received and filed was passed by the Council.

DOMINION MEAT TO SUPPLANT FOREIGN

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R. Haasan, resident representative of the Australian Meat Council, to have Australia take from South America the position of chief meat-producing country of the world, together with many other schemes having the aim to attain Mr. Baldwin's desire to give to the Dominion preference without imposing direct taxes, have been under consideration by the Cabinet and the Board of Trade.

But, so far as is known, no decision has been reached. The same idea had been suggested to the late MacDonald Government, and had been under consideration by former Colonial Minister Thomas, and it may be taken for granted that considerable pressure will be brought to bear on behalf of the Australian Government, which is eager to stimulate its meat exports.

Premier Baldwin, in his recent outline of the Government's intentions for reversing the policy of the MacDonald Government, indicated that meat and fruits would have primary attention from his Government.

To Stimulate Dominion Exports

He suggested that 1,000,000 annually would be devoted to stimulating Dominion exports to England in lieu of the preference the Dominions would have received through the preference taxes Mr. Baldwin's previous administration had intended

to impose at the behest of the last Imperial Conference.

There are many weighty matters requiring consideration before such a plan as that of Mr. Haasan could be adopted. In the first place, it could not be carried out without fresh legislation, and although Mr. Baldwin, with his present big majority in the Commons, certainly could carry such a measure, it nevertheless would mean great opposition in Parliament.

Value of Argentine Exports

Then there has to be considered the fact that Argentina sends meat to the value of about \$5,000,000 annually to England. This extensive importation of meat from Argentina is largely offset by the exportation of British goods, and the moment when the coming visit of the Prince of Wales to Argentina turns the minds of both countries to further fostering of reciprocal trade, it hardly seems the ideal time, in the opinion of some observers, to propose a plan which would so injuriously affect Argentine interests.

Germany Opens Arms Problem

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Altogether inaugurated when Germany dispatched her first communications on the same subject direct to all the powers having seats in the council.

Dr. Stresemann began by saying that the German Government is of the opinion that political developments during the last year have rendered it possible for Germany to join the League. He then gave an outline of the first note to the powers and explained that its object was to ascertain the attitude of the powers with regard to Germany's becoming a member of the League council and also with reference to Germany's participation in sanctions provided for by article sixteen of the covenant.

Desire Favorably Considered

The Foreign Minister remarked that the replies received justified the conclusion that Germany's wish to have a seat in the council was being favorably considered, but that the replies concerning the operation of article sixteen of the covenant had not yet led to a satisfactory conclusion.

Germany was desirous of finding a way out of the difficulty in which, on account of her peculiar territorial situation, she might become involved by the application of this article.

Dr. Stresemann declared in the note that Germany's apprehensions seemed to be not sufficiently appreciated by the powers; hence Germany had no other alternative than to submit the problem to the League itself in the hope that the League would arrange an informal discussion of the subject.

PARIS, Dec. 22.—The supreme interallied military commission met today with Marshal Foch presiding. It took note of the latest fortnightly report sent from Berlin by the interallied C. Control Mission and then drafted resolutions for transmission to the Council of Ambassadors.

No communication was issued after the meeting, but it is understood Germany is considered not yet having entirely fulfilled all the clauses for disarmament laid down in the Treaty of Versailles.

The chances of Cologne being evacuated by the Allies on January 10 under the provisions of the Treaty of Versailles have been further diminished, it is thought in French official circles, by the regular semi-monthly report of the Allied Military Control Mission in Germany. This report, which is now in the hands of the Allied War Committee, is understood to confirm the special reports in their charge that Germany was persisting in arming, contrary to the peace treaty provision.

Christmas Messages Are Delivered at Churches

Big Congregations Listen to Appeals for Remembrance of Significance of Anniversary—Season Offers Opportunity to Make Personal Contact With Christ, Dr. Sipprell Declares—"Is It Right to Think of One's Own Peace in World Full of Distress?" Asks Dean

A FRESH drop in the temperature did little to deter people from church-going on Sunday, and in the majority of the city churches big congregations were present, both at the morning and evening services to hear the Christmas messages delivered from the pulpits, or the special musical services which were given in several instances.

Decorations with evergreen and holly and hothouse flowers have been arranged in most of the churches, and these will be left in place until after Sunday next.

Rev. Dr. Sipprell preached to a big congregation on Sunday morning, this being the service at which he chose to deliver his Christmas message. His subject was "The Challenge of Christmas." In his introduction Dr. Sipprell spoke of the birth of Christ, as meaning the birth of a new era, the greatest event, held a three-fold challenge. First, the challenge to holiness and righteousness in the individual; second, a challenge to the individual to construct a better world. Life was made great by the challenge of great ideals, and the challenge of ideal of all was Christianity. The third challenge of Christmas lay in the opportunity it offered to make personal contact with Christ because of what Christ meant to the world.

Festival of Peace

One of the ironical contrasts of the Christmas season was that while it was the festival of peace, it was generally preceded by "rush" and followed by weariness, noted Very Rev. Dean Quinton, in the Christmas message which he gave to his congregation at Christ Church Cathedral. His text was from Philippians iv, v, 6 and 7. One of the Christmas hymns was quoted in part: "How silently the wondrous gift is given."

"And yet we go clattering about to find happiness outside our own hearts," said the Dean. St. Paul evidently believed that it was possible to have a quiet mind and a busy life. The antidote to anxiety was prayer and thanksgiving. The Dean recalled the story of the busy mother who, surrounded by half a dozen noisy children in her cottage, and finding it very difficult to be quiet and alone, formed the habit of throwing her grubby apron over her head to shut out anxiety and distraction.

"That apron was like a little chapel of rest, and the physical act no doubt brought its own mental reflex and enabled her to steady her mind and fix it on God," said the preacher.

"We must not expect too much from outward things. They only help us when they are used in a sacramental sense, that is, when they suggest and convey beauty and peace," he continued. Was it possible, he asked, and was it right to think of one's own peace in a world full of distress, misery and sin? Ought we not, remembering the sorrows of life, to choke over the Christmas dinner?

"If we want to help the faithless and broken-hearted people after we have fed them and found them a job, it is necessary for us to have quiet minds ourselves," said the preacher. Reference was made to the "almost miraculous effect" exercised by one calm mind on a panic-stricken mob. If the distracted and sorrowful turned

to anyone in their hour of need, it would be to a man who had the calm fixity of faith.

Christ had not lost faith amidst the sorrows and sins of his own time.

Church Rejoicant

"The church stood for a false principle during the last war, and the church today is repentant for its stand," stated Rev. W. P. Freeman, in the "Peace Message" which he delivered at the First Baptist Church on Sunday evening. Mr. Freeman took the stand that the world would have to choose between war and Jesus. The world could not have both. The church could not stand another world war. In fact, if another war came, and the church took the stand which she had taken during the last war, viz. that "this was a war to kill war," away in the expectation that they were fighting in a war which would end war, then "the church would have to go out of business" and begin all over again.

"We preached the biggest lie that was ever perpetrated: that hell would be the result of the church today is repentant," said the preacher. The only standard the church could permit herself to take was the standard of Christ: Love

your enemies. Any other standard was outside the concepts of Christianity. The church must face the issue that Christ came to bring peace and not war between the nations.

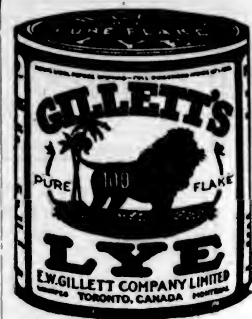
Jesus Necessary

Dr. Clem Davies, preaching to a big congregation at the City Temple on Sunday morning, discussed the question as to whether Jesus was necessary to Christianity; whether His person was necessary to man's conception of God and interpretation of life. Investigation of the question was today necessary to the intellectual integrity of faith.

The church in all its divisions—Catholic, Protestant, and the many divisions of Protestantism—placed Christ at the center. Christ, therefore, must be admitted to be at the centre of organized Christianity. And what had He done to be regarded still as the Son of God, rather than as a mere Jewish rabbi who died at the age of thirty-three? The question must be viewed in the light of the effects of Christ's coming to the world. And what had He done? He had given to mankind the loftiest conception of God; He had given the world an ethical ideal which had as much force today as when it was first pronounced; and He had also supplied the power

Frost Creates New Record in Closing St. Lawrence River

MONTREAL, Dec. 22.—Constituting what is believed to be an unprecedented record, the St. Lawrence River was this morning reported to be solidly frozen from Montreal to Three Rivers. This has never occurred in the month of December before, it was pointed out by local officials.



for the practice of these ethics. Even historical time dated from the birth of Jesus; things happened "Before Christ" or "After Christ." Jesus had given a demonstration of trust in spiritual forces. Confucianism and Buddhism were both losing their hold; only the religion of Jesus could save the world, and today more of mankind than ever before had given themselves to this faith.

"I think that Jesus' life is absolutely unique. And knowing what He has done, I can believe in the resurrection, and believing in that, I can believe in His supernatural birth," said Dr. Davies, who dealt in his evening address at greater length with the question of the "Virgin Birth."

At First Presbyterian Church, St. Andrew's, St. John's, the Emmanuel Baptist Church, as well as the outlying churches of the city, Christmas messages were given for big congregations.

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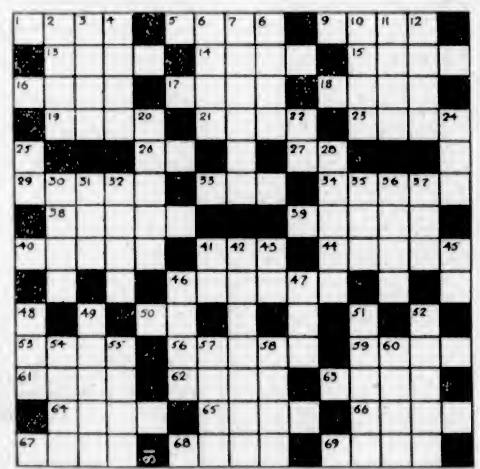
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Colonist Crossword Puzzle



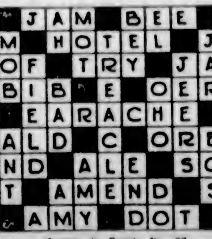
Crossword Puzzle No. 28

How to Solve the Puzzle

Each number in the diagram indicates the beginning of a word, reading either vertically or horizontally. The same number in some cases begins both a vertical and a horizontal word. The definitions of the words to fill the diagram are given in the lists labeled HORIZONTAL and VERTICAL, with numbers showing where to start the words in the diagram. To see how many letters each word has, count the white squares until you come to a black square. If you have put in the correct words, they should all agree horizontally and vertically with the definitions, and you have solved the puzzle correctly. The solutions of today's puzzle will be shown in an early issue.

Key to Crossword Puzzle No. 28

Horizontal	Vertical
1. Butler.	44. Used to drain.
2. Secure.	45. Later.
3. Enter.	46. Grandmother.
4. Scotch talent.	47. Before marriage.
5. A crowd.	48. Irish.
6. Not closed.	49. "It is P" (careless English).
7. Opposite to some.	50. In place of.
8. A heavenly being.	51. Arrows of grim.
9. A relative.	52. Baby's father.
10. Poverty.	53. To look after.
11. A conjunction.	54. Indicate.
12. Terrible.	55. A famous race.
13. In the year of our Lord (ab.).	56. A European.
14. A person.	57. Siles (ab.).
15. Part of a Turk's household.	58. Detained by force.
16. Peculiar.	
17. In the middle of.	
18. Elevates.	
19. Drug.	
20. Thing one can help (ab.).	
21. A Canadian railway (ab.).	
22. Russian religious emblem.	
23. One stitch sews.	
24. Pleasure.	
25. Candidate for law (ab.).	
26. Newly born animal.	
27. For secrets.	
28. Clothes the judge.	
29. We moved from.	
30. A doggy expression.	
31. Ladies.	
32. Excavation.	
33. A conjunction.	
34. The queen's purse (ab.).	
35. River in South England.	
36. Irish Regiment (ab.).	



Answer to Puzzle No. 27



The Colonist's Pictorial Page



Two schooners met the same fate within a short distance of each other at Nantucket, Mass., recently during a heavy fog, which endangered shipping. The Ralph and Evelyn is shown being pounded to pieces



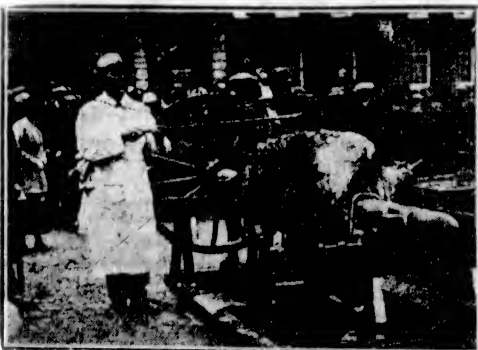
Mlle. Jennie Lucas, 18-year-old toe dancer of the Paris Opera, won the competition that each year decides which is the company's premiere ballerina. She will henceforth be given feature parts



Sold for \$48 before he was born, Robert Milton Burton of Cleveland has been restored to his parents by court order. The mother and father said that they had no money to pay for Robert's arrival and arranged with a wealthy woman of the city to give her the baby in adoption for the needed sum



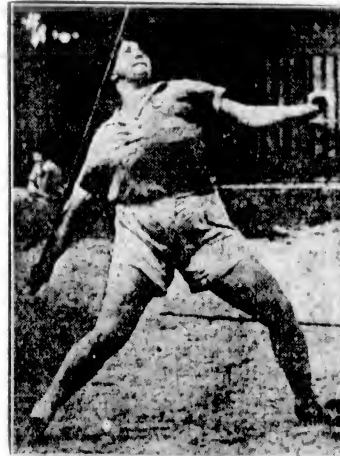
After hearing testimony for over eight hours, Judge Munoz Gambo in a Mexican court sentenced Alejo Garcia and Francisco Ruiz to face the firing squad for the recent murder of Mrs. Rosalie Evans, English widow



A bullock was roasted in the market place of Aylesbury, England, during the celebration of the return of Sir A. Burgoyne as M.P. Mr. F. Taylor, who has already cooked eighty bulls all over the country, officiated



Mrs. Julia O. Lombard, prominent New York woman, has given up her social activities and is now in the White Mountains, New Hampshire, training a crossed Eskimo and German police dog for racing purposes. She is shown with a litter of new racing pups



Mme. Violette Norris, world's champion javelin thrower, who took part in the last Olympic meet, shows her prowess at a recent athletic contest near Paris



Lucie Stern, eleven-year-old musical marvel, who has been hailed as "the wonderchild of Europe," is to visit this country shortly. At the age of two she could point out mistakes made by older students



Jack Dempsey has signed a contract with Estelle Taylor, movie star, whereby he will act as her business manager in the future. Matrimonial rumors have been flying fast and soon Jack may be signing a contract for life



Here is a characteristic pose of the hunting dog when he gets the scent. Whether it is riding to hounds or following them on foot, the chase is royal sport, and the keen tang of winter only lends it a thrill



Miss Natalie Hammond, pretty debutante of Washington, D.C., claims that girls nowadays are qualified to pick out their own mates, and her ideal is the mental caveman. This is all in objection to an article that says that mothers should pick their daughters' husbands



Occupying his leisure hours in building an ice cutter, simply because winter and some old machinery are at hand, S. C. Kilpatrick of Bredenburg, Sask., found a satisfactory living in selling ice. He handles about 1,500 tons every winter



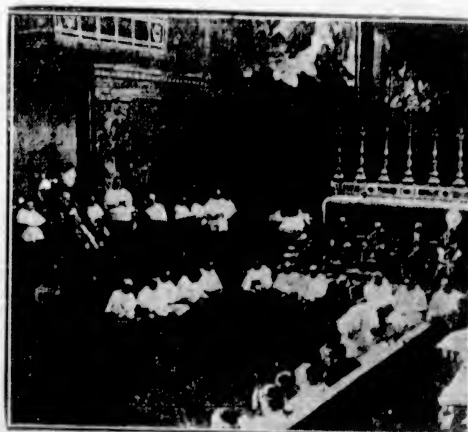
Here is an exclusive photograph of John Drinkwater and his fiancée, Miss Daisy Kennedy, well-known Australian violinist, whose engagement has just been announced. Mr. Drinkwater is world famous for his biographies



The deep snow has no worry for Mr. Holladay, a car dealer of Chesley, Ontario, who has substituted ordinary sleigh runners for the two front wheels of his car



Becoming seriously ill in Mexico City where he went to attend the inauguration of President Calles, Samuel Gompers, for a long time head of the American Federation of Labor, was rushed to San Antonio, Texas, where he died the other day



Pope Pius XI. officiated at the services in the Sistine Chapel of the Vatican for the repose of the soul of the late Cardinal Logue, Roman Catholic primate of all Ireland, who died recently in Dublin

MARINE and TRANSPORTATION

Negotiations Started Again for "535" Liners

Fleet Operated by Admiral Oriental Line and Pacific Mail Line Once Again Under Discussion—Pacific Mail Wants to Purchase Fleet Operated by Them, While Dollar Company Wants to Buy Entire Ten President Liners Operating to Orient

NEGOTIATIONS for the purchase of private corporations of the United States Shipping Board liners, now operated out of Seattle and Victoria, and San Francisco, to the Orient, by managing agents, will be of absorbing interest to shippers here and all along the coast after the first of the year, according to present indications.

Most mooted among the pending events in this connection is the rumored competition of the Dollar Line and the Pacific Mail Line for the purchase of ten 535-type President liners that operate between Seattle, Victoria, and the Orient, and the San Francisco and the Orient. Five of the ships call at Victoria, the President Jackson, McKinley, Madison, Jefferson and Grant.

Five of the ten liners, namely the Presidents Lincoln, Cleveland, Taft, Pierce and Wilson, are now operated by the Pacific Mail Line out of San Francisco. It is an open secret in shipping circles that the Pacific Mail is conducting negotiations for the purchase of these vessels, and also hope to purchase the five liners operated by the Admiral Oriental Line out of Seattle and Victoria.

Within the last ten days telegraphic advices have been received by shipping interests to the effect that the Shipping Board is desirous of disposing of its steamship lines and it is believed here that competition between private operators for the purchase of the mail fleet and the Admiral Oriental Line, as well as several of the freight line operating from Pacific Coast ports, will be spirited.

Several months ago the Dollar interest negotiated with the Shipping Board for the purchase of both the Admiral Oriental Line fleet and the vessels operated by the Pacific Mail Company. Negotiations were dropped for a time, but for the past several weeks Captain Henry Gleason, assistant general manager of the Pacific Mail Company, has been in the East and it is generally reported that the object of his visit is to purchase for his company the tonnage now operated between San Francisco and the Orient.

Stanley Dollar, who is now completing a tour that has taken him around the world, has arrived in New York, and it is more than likely that he will confer with Shipping Board officials and renew his offer for the purchase, not only of the steamers operated by the Pacific Mail Company but also those operated by the Admiral Oriental Line, of which he is president.

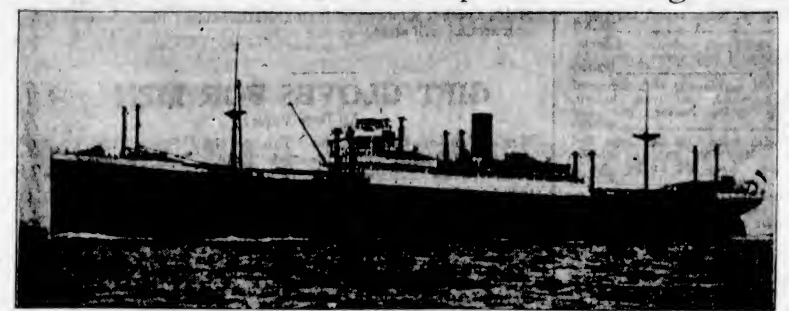
AUSTRALIA CAUGHT IN FIERCE STORM

WILL BE DELAYED 24 HOURS, ARRIVING CHRISTMAS DAY

Seventy-Mile-an-Hour Gale Blowing Off Coast—Liner Bringing Approximately 300 Passengers

Experiencing one of the fiercest gales that has ever blown off this coast, the Canadian Pacific Empress of Australia, Captain A. J. Halley commanding, will not dock at Victoria until Christmas morning, is the latest advice received by the local agents.

New R. M. S. P. Motorship Is Coming Here



MS. LOCH MONAR

It was at first thought that she would make quarantine at 6 o'clock Wednesday night, which even then would have been ten hours late, but if she does not dock until Christmas morning, this will place her twenty-four hours behind schedule.

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Mariners are herewith notified that the black steel can buoy marking Rosedale Reef, off Race Point, Strait of Juan de Fuca, B. C., has broken adrift from its position.

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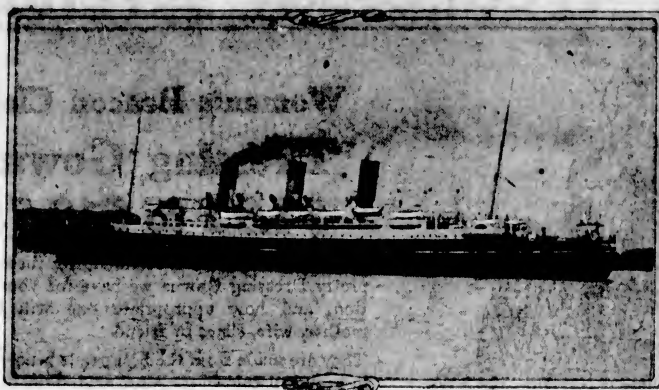
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LOCH MONAR IS EN ROUTE HERE

NEW MOTORSHIP WILL DOCK AT VICTORIA FOR FIRST TIME

Is Making Second Voyage in R.M.S.P. United Kingdom Service—Has Drydock Machinery

On her second trip in the Royal Mail Steam Packet's United Kingdom service, local officials announce that the new motorship Loch Monar will dock at Victoria the early part of January.

On her maiden voyage to this coast she was to have called at Victoria to discharge 150 tons of cargo, but owing to the time of her arrival at William Head, she passed up to Vancouver direct to save time, thus disappointing many who had looked forward to inspecting this new large Diesel-engine liner.

The Loch Monar, however, has sufficient cargo this time to justify her calling at Victoria, included in the cargo are several consignments of machinery for the new drydock pump house at Skinner's Cove.

Findlay, Durham & Brodie also announced that in the future the

M'KINLEY TO BE LIKE NEW LINER

FIRST EXTENSIVE OVERHAUL SINCE COMMISSIONED

Business Delegation Will Go to Orient on Her—Jackson Was Due at 8 o'clock This Morning

When the American-Oriental liner President McKinley resumes service from this port to the Far East on January 27, with an excursion party of Pacific Northwest business and professional men on a goodwill tour of the Orient, the vessel will resemble a new craft, for the Shipping Board has just contracted with the Todd Drydock Company for the thorough overhauling of this liner.

This will be the first extensive repair job performed on the President McKinley since that vessel entered commission in 1921. The contract calls for general machinery overhauling, replacing of boiler tubes, strengthening of the forward bulkheads and general overhauling of cabin fittings and upholstery.

Captain James S. Gibson, who is chairman of the Seattle Chamber of Commerce committee in charge of arranging the Oriental excursion tour, says that already over eighty have guaranteed their intention of making this trip, and that he feels confident that there will be well over 100 in the party when the big liner sails. The principal object of the tour is to call the attention of the Oriental merchants to the several national and international conventions to be held on the Pacific Coast, and particularly in the Northwest during the coming year. The party will be strengthened

by representatives from Victoria and Vancouver besides business men from Portland and Tacoma.

Fighting strong head winds the American-Oriental mail liner President Jackson, Captain John Griffiths commanding, was due to arrive here at 8 o'clock this morning.

There are approximately 250 passengers on board, while the cargo consignments amount to 4,500 tons all told, with a \$4,000,000 silk cargo. There are 300 tons of cargo for discharge here.

CUTTER LEAVES TO GET BIANCA'S CREW

Captain and Crew Have Been Living in Shack Ever Since Schooner Went Ashore Last Tuesday

PORT ANGELES, Dec. 22.—The U.S. coastguard cutter Shenonish left here today for Captain Larson and his crew of the five-masted sailing schooner Bianca, which went aground last Tuesday between Clallam Bay and Neah Bay, in the Strait of Juan de Fuca. The men abandoned the vessel last night and stayed in a small shack in the woods near the scene of the wreck.

The vessel was reported to be full of water and listed 12 degrees. The salvage steamer Homer, of Seattle, was standing by, and an effort is to be made to save the ship when the strong gales that have been raging in this vicinity subside. The Bianca was bound from Salt Hay, Alaska, for Seattle, with 250 tons of herring, when she went ashore in a storm.

Pocahontas, historic Indian maiden, died in England when she was only twenty-two.

Ocean and Coastwise Movements

VESSEL MOVEMENTS

PORTLAND, Dec. 22.—Arrived: Henry S. Grove, New York; Corvair, Baltimore; Virginian, Boston; Admiral Sebree, Seattle; Admiral Evans, San Francisco.

SEATTLE, Dec. 22.—Arrived: Greylock, Cadaretta, San Francisco; Delwood, Alaska; L. Kent, Portland; Los Almos, San Pedro; Arisoma, Maru, Kobe. Sailed: Motorship Hoobayla, Anaporet; Diana Dollar, San Francisco; Richmond, Richmond; Daisy Gray, Everett.

TACOMA, Dec. 22.—Arrived: Calhoun, San Francisco; Orifono Maru, Yokohama; Sailed: Charlie Watson, San Francisco; Paca, Seattle.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—Arrived: Floridan, Astoria; Emma Alexander, Seattle.

CORVIR, Dec. 22.—Sailed: Alameda, southbound.

YOKOHAMA, Dec. 22.—Alameda, Maru, Seattle.

Kobe, Dec. 20.—Kalyou Maru, Portland.

DAIRREN, Dec. 20.—West Keats, Portland.

Sailed

SHANGHAI, Dec. 21.—President Jefferson, Seattle.

ROTTERDAM, Dec. 21.—Cardiganhire, San Francisco.

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C.P.R. Vessels—4:30 p.m., daily.

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To Port Angeles

SS. Sol Duc—10:15 a.m., daily, except Sunday.

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Crepe de Chine Nightgowns, in dainty tailored
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and launder beautifully. A large selection of
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Voile Sets, comprising step-ins and chemise. Pretty new styles,
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tucks and ribbon trimmings. In shades of flesh, apple green, peach,
orchid, sky and canary. From each \$2.45 to \$5.25
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trimmed with Val lace and ribbon, medallion insets, fine pin tucks
and hemstitching. Shown in flesh, peach and canary. From a set,
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Children's Three-Piece Woolen
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are very neat, fasten high up to
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silk, with extra wide heel top; shown in shades of fawn, camel, silver, bobolink,
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sizes 8 1/2 to 10. Shades are grey, fawn, black, brown, cordovan, white and elk
grey. A pair \$2.00
Our Special Pure Thread Silk Hose, with wide silk heel top, reinforced toes,
heel and high spliced heels; shown in brown, black, grey, beige, camel, log cabin,
polo and white; sizes 8 1/2 to 10. At a pair \$1.50
Silk Plated Hose, with well applied feet and elastic
garter tops; shown in black, sand, suede, cruiser,
pearl grey and atmosphere. Pair \$9c
Children's Three-Quarter Length Silk and Wool
Hose, with ribbed turn-over tops. Sizes 6 to 10.
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Colors and black. At, per
pair \$1.50
Men's Pure Thread Silk Socks,
with double sole, heel and toe;
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Men's All-Wool Cashmere
Socks, with fancy silk em-
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Men's Art Silk and Wool
Socks, in two-tone shades. Big
value, a pair 75c
—Men's Furnishings, Main Floor

Women's Silk
Scarves

\$3.75 and \$7.50 Values Selling
for \$1.98 and \$2.98

Silk Scarves in fancy dropstitch,
plain crepe and basket weave. All
the new shades and combinations
are shown in this assortment.
Values \$3.75 to \$7.50 on sale for
\$1.98 and \$2.98
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Novelty Sweaters
For Christmas Gifts
Newest Styles and Best Qualities
\$10.75 to \$17.50

Cardigans of silk and wool knit, have plain back and
sleeves, and are finished with the ever popular fancy
front of pretty contrasting shades.

Chappie Coats in several different designs, with fancy
silk and wool fronts and "Bobbie" collars; fancy knit
coats with tuxedo collars and contrasting border and
cuffs.

Among the many interesting combinations of colors are
powder blue with Marsapan stripes, grey with blue, black
with white and fawn with brown. Sizes 36 to 40. Priced
from, each \$10.75 to \$17.50
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When in Doubt Give Slippers

See Our Great Stock--All Styles--All Sizes

Women's Best Quality Boudoir Slip-
pers, with rubber heels and pompons;
ten colors from which to make your
choice. A pair \$1.45
Women's Felt Slippers, in various col-
ors; leather soles. A pair 79c
Women's Best Quality Felt Julietts, in
taupe, wine or brown shades. At, a pair \$1.95
Women's English Plaid Slippers, with turnover collar; var-
ious patterns in plain red or camel. A pair \$1.95
Women's Velvet Slippers, in various colors, trimmed with
contrasting binding; have leather soles and flat heels. A
pair \$1.25
Women's Suede Moccasin Slippers, in brown or grey, headed
vamps and fur lined. A pair \$1.45
Children's sizes, a pair \$1.00
Boys' Leather Slippers, with stout leather soles; shown in
brown and black. A pair \$1.95
Men's Pullman Slippers, with elastic sides; in brown or black
kid. A pair \$2.95 and \$4.00
Men's English Plaid Slippers, and in plain camel shade. A
pair \$1.95
Men's Leather Slippers, with stout leather soles; black, brown
or maroon. All sizes. A pair \$1.95
—Shoe Section, 1st, Main and Lower Main Floors

GIFT GLOVES FOR MEN

All Best Values

Men's Tan or Grey Mocha
Gloves, well lined, and with
one dome fastener. A
pair \$2.00
Men's Tan Kid Gloves, warm
lining and one dome fastener.
Perrin's make. A pair, \$2.00
Men's Stout Tan Kid Gloves
or Mocha, lined and with one
dome fastener. Perrin's
brand. A pair \$2.25
Men's Genuine Deerskin
Driving Gloves. Will stand
hard wear. One dome fas-
tener, extra long at the wrist.
Sizes 7 1/2 to 9 1/2. Pair, \$3.25
Men's Heavy Tan Mocha
Gloves, fur-lined, Perrin's
brand, with one dome fas-
tener. A fine driving glove.
A pair \$4.75
Tan or Grey Suede Gloves,
silk lined. Perrin's brand.
With one dome fastener. A
pair \$3.00
Extra Fine Tan or Grey
Mocha Gloves, lined and with
one dome fastener. English
make; all sizes. Pair, \$3.75
Tan Suede Gloves, unlined,
with one dome fastener. Per-
rin's brand. Special at, a
pair \$2.50
Men's Black Astrachan Driving
Gloves, with leather palm
and gauntlet wrist. Strap
and one dome fastener. Cuff
may be folded and carried in
the pocket.
Men's Tan Cape Kid Gloves,
lined; have fur at wrist and
one dome fastener. Perrin's
brand. Special, pair, \$2.75

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50c and 75c
a Pair

Braces of good elastic web-
bing, shown in many colors,
with good strong leather
tips. A pair 50c
Boys' President Suspenders,
a well known brand that is
strong and wears well. A
pair 75c
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Boys' Christmas
Ties

Silk Ties in a fine assort-
ment of colors and patterns;
a wide range from which
to make your choice.
Each 75c
Knitted Ties, good quality
silk knit, in a pleasing array
of shades and color combi-
nations. Each 50c
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Dressing Gowns of heavy cloths, very cosy, in
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cuffs. Excellently made, and big value
at \$8.75

A large assortment of Men's Smoking Jackets;
neat in style and very comfortable. They are
made of good cloths and have fancy collar and
cuffs. Browns, greys, fawns and fancy de-
signs. A large selection to choose from
at \$8.50, \$10.00 and \$15.00
—Men's Clothing, Main Floor



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Strictly Cash and Carry

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6 to 9 lbs. per lb. 33c
9 to 11 lbs. per lb. 38c
11 lbs. up. per lb. 42c
Fresh-Killed Geese, per lb. 30c
Fresh-Killed Ducks, per lb. 30c
Fresh-Killed Chicken, per lb. 40c and
Fresh-Killed Capons, per lb. 55c